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WEBB-KENYON LAW IS CONSTITUTIONAL SAYS U. S. SUPREME COURT

Also Upholds W. Virginia's Law Prohibiting Importation of Liquor for Personal Use.

LATTER VETOED BY TAFT

Lawyers for Liquor Interests Admit Decision Applies Law in Its Fullest Sense.

PROHIBITIONISTS ELATED

Most Sweeping Decision Yet Upholding Prohibition Laws.

Washington, Jan. 8. — In the most sweeping of all decisions upholding prohibition laws, the Supreme Court today upheld as constitutional and valid the Webb-Kenyon law prohibiting shipments of liquor from "wet" to "dry" states.

It also sustained West Virginia's recent amendment to her law prohibiting importation in interstate commerce of liquor for personal use.

After having been vetoed by President Taft, who held it unconstitutional, and having been repassed by Congress over his veto, the law was sustained by the Supreme Court by a vote of 7 to 2.

Victory for Prohibition.

Leaders of the prohibition movement declare it is to their fight second only in importance to the proposed constitutional amendment. Lawyers for liquor interests who heard the decision today admitted it upheld and applied the law "in its fullest sense."

Chief Justice White announced the majority opinion to which Justices Holmes and Vandevanter dissented. Justice McReynolds, while agreeing with the majority decision, did not concur in the opinion.

An official digest of the majority opinion, prepared by the court, sets out its holdings as follows:

Digest of Opinion.

"1. That the West Virginia law beside prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all intoxicants except as to that which is permitted ror medical, sacramental and manufacturing purposes, also forbids all transportation of liquor and all receipt and possession of liquor transported in the state, whether originating in or outside of the state, and although it does not prohibit personal use, puts serious restrictions upon the power to obtain for such use.

"The court holds that in view of the well established police authority of the state over intoxicants, there is no reason to think that this law was in any wise repugnant to the due process clause of the 14th amendment to the Constitution of the United States. It, however, decides that unless the state authority has an exceptional application to shipments of interstate commerce as the result of the act of Congress, known as the Webb-Kenyon law, the provisions of the state law, restricting shipments of intoxicants into the state from other states would be unconstitutional because interfering with the power of Congress to regulate commerce among the states and consequently would be a direct burden upon such commerce.

"2. Considering the Webb-Kenyon act, the court holds that there is no foundation for the contention that the act only applies to shipments from one state into another for a use prohibited by the state to which the liquor is shipped. On the contrary, it is decided that the Webb-Kenyon act, to use the words of the act, applies to shipments of liquor 'intended to be received, possessed, sold or in any manner used' in violation of the laws of the state. As this conclusion causes every prohibition of the West Virginia law to be embraced and come under the right conferred by Congress, by the Webb-Kenyon act, it is decided that the West Virginia law was not in conflict with the commerce clause of the Constitution and the power of Congress to regulate commerce, if Congress had power to enact the Webb-Kenyon law.

"3. Disposing of that question, it is decided that Congress had the power under the Constitution to adopt the Webb-Kenyon law, whether considered from the point of view of original reasoning or in the light of the previous legislation by Congress and the decisions of the court holding that legislation valid.

"It is therefore decided that, by virtue of the Webb-Kenyon law, there is no power to ship intoxicants from one state into another in violation of the prohibitions of the law of the state into which the liquor is shipped. In other words, it is decided that since the enactment of the Webb-Kenyon law, the channels of interstate commerce may not be used to convey liquor into a state against the prohibition of its laws or to use interstate commerce as the basis for a right to

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VARIED VIEWS ON MILITARY POLICY

Universal Service Advocated and Disapproved by Those Heard by the Committee.

"AN OATH OF BONDAGE"

Thus Major Harlee Characterizes Oath of Enlistment—Says This and Military Caste Deter From Entering Army

Washington, Jan. 8.—Widely divergent views as to the proper military policy for the United States were laid before the Senate sub-committee on universal service today by Captain George V. H. Mosely, of the general staff, and Major William G. Harlee, of the Marine corps.

The committee heard also urgent resolutions for universal military training from many surgeans and physicians representing important medical associations.

Major Harlee disapproved of all universal service appeals and asserted that, as a recruiting officer, he had learned that the "military caste, the most orthodox caste in the country", and the fixed obligations of the enlistment oath were the factors that deterred men from entering the army.

"Oath of Bondage"

"The oath of enlistment is an oath of bondage", he said. It brands the man who takes it as of a lower caste. I am opposed to any service except that rendered by willing men".

The major proposed that no enlistments be required and that the men trained annually be permitted to leave the service at will. To make it a serious matter for them to quit, however, he suggested that a minimum monthly pay of $30 be provided and all but a small sum be held back until the training period had been completed.

"The things that makes discipline is interest in the work to be done", said Major Harlee. The caste disappears in our own regular army when it gets busy. Caste is fostered by the idle, barrack life."

Major Harlee pictured a training army equipped only with meagre necessities, doing all its work in the open air, the officers of which would be selected by those who had come up from the ranks themselves in successive years of training. He agreed to draft a tentative bill to show the detail of his plan.

Train 1,000,000 Boys a Year

Captain Mosely explained the purpose of his bill, already before the committee, to provide for the training annually of a million boys 19 years old.

Dr. Lucien Howe, of Buffalo, president of the American Medical Association heading the delegation of medical men, told the committee that military training would go far toward correcting the alarming increase in physicial defectives in the United States which is now physicial a sub-standard nation with the highest middle-age death rate in the world, due to preventable ailments.

CONFEREES AGREE ON THE IMMIGRATION BILL

Senate Adopts Conference Report; House Expected to Follow.

Measure Freed of Language Objected to by State Department as Offensive to Japan, But Literacy Test Remains Intact.

Washington, Jan. 8. — Freed of language objected to by the State Department because it was offensive to Japan, the long discussed immigration bill was agreed upon today by a conference committee of the two houses and the Senate promptly adopted the conference report by a vote of 56 to 10. The House is expected to act favorably Thursday and send the bill to the President.

As originally passed, the bill contained a provision designed to exclude Japanese in the event of abrogation of the so-called gentlemen's agreement under which Japan for ten years has prevented her laborers from coming to the United States. A substitute inserted by the conferees after consulting officials of the department, says:

"No alien now in any way excluded or prevented from entering the United States shall be admitted to the United States."

This sentence, sufficiently direct to satisfy Pacific coast legislators, is regarded as broad enough to safeguard against objection from any foreign government.

The literacy test provision, on account of which similar bills have been vetoed by Presidents Cleveland, Taft and Wilson, remains intact, in spite of

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ANOTHER RUMANIAN FORTRESS TAKEN BY THE TEUTONS

Fokshani Falls Before Onward March of Mackensen's Forces; 4,000 Prisoners Taken.

RUSSIANS STILL PURSUED

Important Danube Town of Galatz, 45 Miles Distant, Apparently in Great Jeopardy.

Another of Rumania's fortresses has fallen into the hands of the Teutonic allies. Keeping up their intensive forward movement along the railroad line northward into Moldavia, Field Marshal Von Mackensen's troops have taken Fokshani and with it nearly 4,000 prisoners and some cannon and machine guns.

At last reports the invaders were pursuing the defeated Russians, while in spite of the snow and cold weather the troops of Archduke Joseph of Austria were pressing back the Rumanians eastward into Moldavia, between the Putna and Oituz valleys.

The capture of Fokshani, which lies on the railroad 45 miles northwest of Galatz, apparently places this important Danube town in great jeopardy.

The Russian war office in its last communication, does not mention the capture of Fokshani, but records a repulse of the invaders northwest of the town in the region of Pontichesci, where they are said to have suffered heavy casualties. The repulse of Teutonic allied attacks at several other places, notably a short distance from where the Buzeu river enters into the Sereth, a short distance southwest of Galatz, also is announced.

In Riga Region.

Up in the region of Riga, the Russians have taken trenches from the Germans near the village of Kalnzem, and in addition captured prisoners, machine guns, trench mortars and one heavy battery.

In a three-day battle in this region, the Russians have taken 16 cannon and about 800 prisoners.

In Volhynia near Nova Selki and in Galicia, north of Zborow, the Germans have attempted advances against the Russians, but were repulsed, according to Petrograd.

In the other theatres there still is little activity, except by the artillery and patrol parties.

GETTING MACHINERY BILLS READY FOR LEGISLATURE

Joint Committee of Bar Association and Municipal League in Raleigh

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—Members of the special joint committees from the State Bar Association and the State Municipal League are here holding final conferences on completed bills to provide machinery for the operation of the constitutional amendments, these to be offered to the legislature later.

They include general acts for city charters, for governing municipal and county and other local bond issues; appointment of emergency judges, regulation of recorder's courts and other matters that require general laws.

Here in the conferences are; Heriot Clarkson; E. T. Cansler, Robt. Ruark, J. W. Hinsdale; C. C. Taylor, J. D. McNeill, A. M. Scales and J. E. Pegram.

PROPOSITIONS FOR PAPER PLANT IN STATE RECEIVED

By Committee of Newspaper Men in Raleigh Yesterday.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8. — Propositions were received here tonight for the establishment of a newsprint paper plant in North Carolina by committees from the newspaper associations of the State. The proposals are to be put in definite form for submission to a meeting of all the newspaper men of the state to be held at an early date. The purpose is to have a plant under contract so as to meet the present high cost of newsprint paper.

LABOR AGENT ARRESTED ON REQUEST OF ROBESON OFFICERS

Returned From Fayetteville, on Charges From Maxton

(Special Star Telegram)

Fayetteville, N. C., Janl 8.—Norman McNair, a labor agent, was arrested by police of this city here today on request of Robeson county officials charged with employing men to leave the State without having paid the $1,000, license required by a North Carolina law. The request for McNair's arrest came from Maxton, where he is alleged to have been engaging men to go to Virginia. He was taken to Robeson county this afternoon.

ONE MORE DEMOCRAT ADDED TO LIST IN NEXT CONGRESS

Scully Declared Elected in New Jersey, Following Recount.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 8. — The board of canvassers today decided the disputed election in the Third congressional district, by giving a certificate of election to Thomas J. Scully, Democrat. On the face of the original count, Robert Carson, Republican, had a majority of 11 votes, but a recount showed that Scully had a majority of 202.

LEGISLATIVE CLOCK TO BE TURNED BACK

Will be Necessary Tonight in Order to Get Flood of Local Bills Finally Enrolled.

SALARY BILLS PRESENTED

Would Increase Governor's Salary to $6,000 or $7,500—Special Order in Senate—Mill Grinding Rapidly as Possible.

(By W. J. Martin)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—Both houses of the Legislature are grinding local bills in endless numbers, and final enrollment of these, racing ahead of operation of the Constitutional amendments, will hold both houses far into Tuesday night and necessitate turning back the clock from mid-night until the new laws are all signed.

Senator Jones, in the name of Senator Scales, for the committee on salaries and fees, offered bills to increase the salary of the Governor to $7,500, and that of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to $3,500. Senator Little, of Anson, spoke strenuously against increase of the Governor's salary, claiming the people of the State are in no condition for additional burdens. He said State officers were pushing "side lines", but the folks at home had theirs all mortgaged.

Another salary bill was offered by Senator Burgwin that would give the Governor $7,500 and other constitutional officers $4,500 each. Senator Justice offered an amendment to make the Governor's salary $6,500 and Senator Parker another to make it $6,000. The salary bills then went over to Tuesday morning as a special order.

Senator Person introduced the State Farmers' Union bill for repeal of the North Carolina "crop lein" law and Senator Warren, of Beaufort, introduced a bill to prohibit the sale of public bonds without notice, inspired, evidently, by the sensational Buncombe county bond sale situation.

A resolution was adopted by the House inviting Wm. Jennings Bryan to address a joint session of the two branches of the Assembly next Monday.

Senate Night Session.

The Senate in night session passed great numbers of bills, including the following:

Regulate surveyor fees in Robeson; Repeal Scotland game laws; Regulate hunting in Scotland; Treasurer for Bertie county; Amend Bertie game laws; Amend Columbus recorder's court; Authorize $500,000 bonds for roads and bridges in Robeson; Pay expenses of Judge Bond in investigating lynching in Lenoir; Incorporate Carolina Northern Railroad; Amend Elizabeth City graded school act; Put Pender under provision of Section 1675, Revisal of 1905; Authorize Mitchell commissioners to purchase pure bred bull for each township; Amend charter of Warsaw; Authorize various counties, including New Hanover, Bertie, Northampton, Perquimans and Currituck, to pay expenses of Confederate veterans to reunions.

Many Bills Ratified.

Great numbers of bills were ratified at the morning session of the Senate. They included:

Abolish Richmond county recorder's court; Amend the Sampson road law; Fix salary of clerk of Columbus county; Relative to Martin county treasurer; Authorize bonds in Currituck; Justice of the peace for Beaufort; Amend road law in Bladen; Abolish Beaufort auditors; Amend the rural police law of Robeson; Amend Currituck auditor act; Game commission for Currituck; Amend the charter of Branch Banking & Trust Co., Wilson; Empower Kinston to control wharves, docks and parks; Amend the Robeson election laws; Amend the charter of the Roanoke & Weldon Railroad Co.; Repeal certain local laws of Brunswick; Amend Robeson recorder's court act; Authorize Carteret bonds; Facilitate collection of back taxes in Wilmington.

New bills included:

Harding—Additional clerical help for Pitt officers.

Bills passed final reading in the Senate at afternoon session included:

Amend Roper charter; Ratify $5,000 school bonds Beaulahville township, Duplin.

Pensions for Mothers.

Senator Gregg, of Randolph, introduced a bill out of order for State pensions to dependent mothers.

Bills ratified included—Amend Perquimans road law; more economical disbursements of Robeson funds; Amend the charter of Lumberton.

In the House, new bills included:

Sellars — Permit municipal waterworks and lights in Maxton; Provide auditor for Maxton; Amend Robeson game laws; Amend the landlord and tenant act.

Oliver — Exempt Carolina College bonds from taxation.

Local bills passed final reading:

Amend the charter of Elon College; Amend the charter of Clinton.

Sellars and Oliver—Amend local act

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COL. WILLIAM F. CODY IS DYING, IN DENVER, COLO.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 8. — Col. William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) is dying, in Denver, tonight; facing death in the same manner that he has faced it many times on the plains of the West in conflicts that made his name famous.

At 10:30 tonight Dr. J. H. East, Colonel Cody's physician, issued a statement saying the noted plainsman was sinking rapidly, and that his death was "a matter of a very few hours."

HAS CONGRESS THE RIGHT TO REGULATE HOURS AND WAGES?

Question Which Furnishes Keynote of Argument in Case to Test the Adamson Law.

IS BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Eight Hours is Granted for Argument Instead of Usual Three Hours by the Court.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The test case to determine constitutionality of the Adamson law, enacted last September when a general railroad strike threatened, came up today in the Supreme Court. Argument will continue until Wednesday and a decision is expected within a few weeks. Meantime, although the law was passed to become effective January 1, last, all litigation under it and the changes it prescribes are suspended by agreement.

The question whether Congress has power to regulate hours of service and wages furnished the keynote of the argument today in which the justices manifested keen interest, interrupting with many questions. In opening defense of the law, for the Department of Justice, Solicitor General Davis declared it regulates both hours of service and wages and contended Congress has authority to regulate both. He asked annulment of the decision of Circuit Judge Hook at Kansas City in the test case of the Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad, holding the law void.

Eight Hours for Argument

Although three hours is the usual time allotted for argument of a case, the court today granted an extension to eight hours, equally divided between the Federal and railroad counsel. Tomorrow Walker D. Hines, chairman of the railroads' general committee of counsel, and John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, will speak for the carriers, and on Wednesday, the closing argument for the government will be made by Frank Hagerman, special assistant to the Attorney General.

The railroad brotherhoods are not participating through counsel but several labor leaders were spectators today.

Attorney General Gregory and his entire staff and many members of Congress also were in the crowded court room.

Argument By Davis

Solicitor General Davis, in a two-hour argument, told the court that it "reached the heights of imagination to say that the primary object of Congres in passing the law was not to limit the hours of toil." He asserted that Elisha Lee, the railroads' spokesmen throughout the strike controversy, often had admitted that fact as well as that the law is workable, now denied by the railroads.

When Mr. Davis cited Congress' disturbance of railroad contracts in passing the Federal Employers Liability Act, upheld as valid, Justice Day asked:

"Do you claim the same power in fixing wages as in fixing rates?"

"We do", Mr. Davis replied.

Chief Justice Balks

"I can't follow that argument", interjected Chief Justice White.

"The subject is regulating hours of service. The government has regulated commerce for ages, so to speak. It was held in the case of the Employers' Liability act that regulation was valid. That was no decision that the government has the power to regulate wages"

"That is what we contend for", rejoined Mr. Davis.

"That's the logic I can't follow", repeated the Chief Justice.

The Solicitor General argued then that if Congress can regulate the relation of master and servant, of railroads and employees, it can also regulate wages.

"That is the most vital of all", he continued. "If underpaid and discontented, safety of commerce in charge of employes is affected. Also wages have a direct relation to rates, investment and expense of service".

"Your proposition goes further than that", the Chief Justice interposed, citing as an example freight shipped by a grocer. "Do you content that wages of all persons making these goods are subject to regulation?"

"No; we don't go that far," said Mr. Davis, and pointed out that Congress has the power to reduce railroad rates to prevent extortion.

McReynolds Asks a Question

"Has Congress the power to prescribe what railroads shall pay for various things—locomotives, land etc?" asked Judge McReynolds.

"I am not so sure that Congress hasn't that power", Mr. Davis replied. "All authority is dependent upon its reasonable and not arbitrary action."

Justice Day suggested that Congress power is limited by constitutional prohibition against confiscation.

"Congress power to regulate issue of railroad stocks and bonds", Mr. Davis continued," and to say what prices railroads shall pay for credit, is being advanced in and outside of Congress". He added that under the decision in the Debs case Congress has authority to prevent railroad strikes and obstruction of interstate commerce. He denied that penalties provided by the Adamson laws are excessive, and upheld as reasonable the statute's exemption of short lines and interurban electric roads.

The contention that the law is un-

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HEARING DEVELOPS NO DEFINITE INFORMATION OF PEACE NOTE 'LEAK'

ASSASSINATION OF MONK IS DESCRIBED

Rasputin Killed Because of His Influence Over Members of Russian Royal Family.

SEVERAL ATTEMPTS MADE

Lured From Home in Petrograd, He is Ordered to Shoot Himself and Then Killed When He Turns Gun on the Other.

Petrograd, Jan. 8, via London, Jan. 8.—New and more dramatic versions of the death of Gregory Rasputin, the Russian monk, who exercised great influence over the members of the royal family, and first conjectures as to the nature of the plot which succeeded in ridding Russia of the most powerful and picturesque of "the dark forces", which it is alleged have been attempting to poison the internal life of Russia, have only heightened the sensation caused by the first news of Rasputin's death received last Saturday. It is now definitely known that the assassination was only one of a series of attempts upon Rasputin's life.

In the former plots either Rasputin, scenting danger, refused to be decoyed from his house or the plotters were unable to agree upon the means to be used, and thus their plans several times miscarried. But circumstances peculiarly favored the plot arranged for early Saturday morning and from recent information in the hands of the authorities they have been able to reconstruct the events which probably took place at that time.

Shortly after midnight Rasputin, who was sitting alone in his house in Petrograd, received a telephone call from the house of Prince Yussupoff. The invitation proved particularly alluring and Rasputin accepted in the best humor. Soon afterward a young man called for the monk at the rear entrance. The night was extremely cold and the long cloak worn by Rasputin concealed the costume which he had donned for the occasion, consisting of dark, baggy velvet trousers tucked into highly polished boots, a silk blouse and bright colored sash. The other wore conventional evening dress. The two proceeded to the waiting automobile.

Rasputin was not long seated in the house to which he had been invited before one of the guests arose quietly and offered a revolver to him with the following words:

"We have decided that you must die. Kill yourself."

According to the prevalent version Rasputin pointed the revolver at the man who had offered it to him, whereupon the other guests drew revolvers and fired upon the monk.

Rasputin was struck twice in the chest and side and then a bullet in the head killed him instantly. His body was immediately disposed of, being dropped into the Neva river.

WANTS NAVY YARDS TO CONSTRUCT CRUISERS

Daniels Appeals to Congress for Additional $12,000,000.

Because of Failure of Private Builders to Submit Bids for Battle Cruisers and Sout Cruisers—Programme Halted.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Secretary Daniels today appealed to Congress for $12,000,000 to add to navy yard construction facilities because of the failure of private builders to submit bids for the battle cruisers and scout cruisers.

The Secretary made his request in a letter to Chairman Padgett of the House Naval committee. It said in part:

"The situation with regard to the preparedness programme is such that if the manifest intention of Congress and the country is to be carried out, radical action is necessary.

"The department has done its utmost in this connection but finds the private ship builders of the country are unable or unwilling to undertake the complete programme with any assurance of speed in completion even at prices which the department regards as unreasonably high. The preparedness program halts by reason of this condition."

Six million dollars already has been authorized by Congress for the improvement of navy yard building plants. To equip sufficient yards to enable the department to authorize building of ships for which it has been

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Committee Wrestles for Hours With Lawson Through Bewildering Maze of Intimations.

AN UPROAR IS CREATED

Lansing and Tumulty on Stand, Both Deny Any Knowledge of Leak, But Give History.

BOSTON FINANCIER ANGRY

Committee Considering Citing Him for Contempt of House.

Washington, Jan. 8. — Through a bewildering maze of intimations and heated colloquies which turned the hearing into an uproar, the House Rules committee wrestled for several hours today with Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, without obtaining any definite information to substantiate the stories of a "leak" to Wall Street in advance of the President's peace note.

When the committee adjourned until tomorrow, with Mr. Lawson's examination uncompleted, a motion to cite him before the bar of the House for contempt, because he refused to give names, had been considered in executive session and taken under advisement.

Tumulty on the Stand.

Early in the day Joseph P. Tumulty secretary to President Wilson, whose name was mentioned by Representative Wood in the rumors he laid before the committee last week, appeared to give an emphatic statement, endorsed by the President, that he had no knowledge of the peace note before it was given to the press. He also denied the report repeated by Representative Wood that Mr. Tumulty and Bernard Baruch, a New York broker, had conferred in a New York hotel a few days before the note was made public.

Mr. Tumulty denounced the action of Representative Wood in making public charges based on a letter from an unidentified man and declared from the witness stand, looking Representative Wood in the face, that he was still awaiting the Congressman's apology.

Secretary Lansing, of the State Department, also took the stand to assert that he had no knowledge whatever of advance information having been circulated regarding the peace note.

Lansing Relates History.

Mr. Lansing related the physical history of the note, how it was prepared, through whose hands it passed, and of his participation in its preparation. He also told of a statement he had given in confidence to newspaper men on the morning before the note was made public, in which he told them to expect the note at 5 o'clock that evening, for publication Thursday morning. He did not go into details with the correspondents, he said, but did say that it was not a proposal for peace nor an offer of mediation.

The Secretary further stated that he had not given the possible effect of the note on the stock market the least thought, but that he had cautioned secrecy because of the courtesy due to the foreign nations that the communication should not be published here before it had been received abroad.

When Representative Chiperfield, Republican, of Illinois, sought to interrogate Secretary Lansing regarding his interpretations of the note on the day following its publication, the Secretary said firmly that such questioning was going beyond the scope of the inquiry, and was sustained by the committee.

Troubles With Lawson.

The committee's troubles with Mr. Lawson began soon after the financier took the stand and grew into a noisy row, quieted only after Chairman Henry had threatened to clear the room of spectators and proceed in executive session. After declaring that he had evidence of a leak and asserting that he had information from a member of Congress that a cabinet official had been a beneficiary, Lawson firmly refused to give the names to the committee. He announced defiantly that he would give no name, regardless of consequences, and declared:

"You may punish me if you wish, but I will not besmirch the names of the men in high position at this preliminary inquiry. My only business here is to give information that would warrant you in ordering a full investigation. This I think I have done."

Flies Into Passion.

Before this, the witness had flown into a passion when questioned by Representative Chiperfield about his book, "Frenzied Finance." There were heated exchanges, during which the word "four flusher" could be heard above the general din which interrupted the record of the official stenographer. Lawson, shaking his hand in Representative Chiperfield's face, asserted that he knew his rights and would not be bulldozed. He finally was pulled into a chair by the chief clerk of the House. The colloquy with

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BAPTIST COMMITTEES TO ACT IN CONCERT

In Presenting Protests to Wilson Against Funston's Act.

Practically Every Southern State to be Represented by Delegation When It Goes to Washington, Says Senator Oates

(Special Star Correspondence)

Fayetteville, N. C., Jan. 8.—Committees appointed by Baptist conventions in practically every Southern State will act in concert in bearing to President Wilson the protest of the Baptists of the South against what they designate as the effort of General Fred Funston to curtail the religious freedom of Baptist ministers in preaching the gospel to United States soldiers on the border, according to Senator John A. Oates, president of the North Carolina convention and chairman of the committee named by that body, who spent the week end at his home here resting from the first week of the State Legislature.

Dr. Hight C. Moore, of Raleigh, secretary of the committee appointed by the North Carolina Baptist Convention to memorialize the President on the Gambrell incident, is in correspondence with similar committees in other states in regard to concerted action by all the committees in calling on the chief executive. No date for the visit to Washington has yet been set, said Mr. Oates.

The committee, which was named at the second day's session of the Elizabeth City convention comprises, besides Mr. Oates, Dr. H. C. Moore, editor of the Biblical Recorder, Dr. W. L. Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, Dr. R. T. Vann, corresponding secretary of the board of education, and Dr. Livingston Johnson, of Rocky Mount.

It will be remembered that the controversy arose when Dr. J. B. Gambrell, a well known Baptist evangelist, applied to General Funston's headquarters for permission to conduct a series of revivals in the border camps. The impression got abroad that the evangelist was informed that General Funston would not allow the soldiers to be told that they were "lost," though Funston, in an open letter to Dr. Gambrell, contended that he said he did not accept the implication that because a man had put on his country's uniform he was necessarily lost, or worse than other men.

ROTARY CLUB PROFFERS AID TO BOARD OF EDUCATION

Committee Attended Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday.

The Rotary Club, through a committee composed of Messrs. Geo. P. Gallin and C. W. Rodgers, tendered its assistance in any way possible to the Board of Education in securing the attendance of boys at the public schools. The committee attended the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education yesterday afternoon. It was brought to the attention of the Board that there are many boys in the city who ought to be in school, who are allowed to stay away.

The committee also urged the importance of securing increased school facilities, particularly the need of a new High School building and the abolition of the present Union school building for school purposes. The board thanked the committee for its promise of cooperation and assured the members that their suggestions would receive careful consideration.

Chairman Woodus Kellum presided at the meeting, which was attended by Mr. B. Solomon, a member of the Board, and Supt. John J. Blair, of the city schools. Only routine business was attended to.

IN THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Blind Tiger Fined $50—Several Cases Continued.

Alex Lord was the hardest hit defendant to face Recorder Harriss at yesterday morning's session of the court. He was arraigned on two charges of violating the prohibition law. On the first charge he pleaded guilty, and judgment was suspended for 12 months with the proviso that he appear in court the first Monday in each month and show that he had not violated the law. On the second count he entered a plea of nolo contendere, and was fined $50 and costs.

The case against Messrs. Dave Brock and M. V. Jones, charged with reckless driving of an automobile, in connection with the runnin- down of Mrs. Sarah Gaskin early Sunday evening, was continued until January 13, in order that the prosecutrix could be able to attend the hearing. They are at liberty under bond of $50 each.

William Russell and Allison Sellers, two young white boys who were caught red handed looting the store of Mr. R. B. Moore, at Third and Castle streets Sunday night, also hac their trial continued until January 9th. It developde yesterday that in addition to breaking into the store of Mr. Moore that the two boys had entered both the Isaac Bear and Hemenway public school buildings and removed a number of articles of minor value, a part of which were found on their persons when arrested.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were as follows: Sallie Faircloth, colored, vagrancy, continued until January 10, in order to give her an opportunity to leave the county; Jeff Moore, colored, reckless riding, taxed with casts; Mr. I. J. King, Jr., violating the driving ordinance, continued until January 10th.

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WILMINGTON LADY NO LONGER FEARS BOILED CABBAGE

Wife of Well Known Local Builder and Contractor Is Happy After Spell of Suffering and Gives Thanks to Tanlac.

Now comes Mrs. C. E. Morton, wife of the well known Wilmington contractor and builder, of 714 South Seventh street, with more good words about Tanlac. Her story:

"For the past six months I suffered from nervous indigestion. I tried simple home remedies, such as soda, with very little results. Boiled vegetables, such as cabbage, would nearly kill me, it seemed like. Gas formed and caused palpitation of the heart. I was uneasy about this condition. I had such a miserable feeling all the time and was extremely nervous, especially at nights. I was easily excited and couldn't go to sleep. I was very restless and would have to sit up a while.

"But since taking Tanlac, I am no longer troubled with indigestion like I was, and eat anything. I am not nervous, and sleep well. I am a great deal stronger than I was, and feel so much better in every way."

After reading the endorsement of Mrs. Morton, Edward Hales Drum, the famous Tanlac Man, said: "Tanlac, the Master Medicine, is proving equally as beneficial in hundreds of other cases in Wilmington and vicinity as it did in the case of Mrs. Morton. It is especially beneficial for stomach, liver and kidney trouble, rheumatism, nervous debility, defective circulation, pallid complexion, poor appetite, sleeplessness, the after effects of hard coughs and colds, and catarrhal troubles."

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington only at the Bellamy Drug Store; Burgaw, C. L. Halstead; Southport, Watson's Pharmacy; Rocky Point, A. N. Rhodes; Supply, G. W. Kirby; New Bern, Bradham Drug Co.; Magnolia, W. L. Southall; Faison, Faison Drug Co.; Pembroke, G. W. Locklear; Snow Hill, J. T. H. Harper; Vineland, R. B. McRoy & Co.; Whiteville, J. A. McNeill & Son; Verona, G. W. Humphrey; Fair Bluff, J. P. Waddell; Council, Squires-Hobbs-Grimsley Co.; Ash, L. M. Todd. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—adv.

SPORTS

OLIN WON FROM TOM DRAAK

Heavyweight Champion Took Two Straight Falls From Clever Dutchman Last Evening.

Working always with the imperturbable coolness characteristic of the Northern European races, John Olin, the big Finnish wrestler lately hailed as heavyweight champion of the world, took two straight falls from Tom Draak last evening at Woolvin Hall, using a body scissors and wrist lock each time. The first fall came in 38 1-2 minutes an dthe second in 14 1-2.

In the minds of the local fans who witnessed last night's match, there can no longer be any doubt as to Olin's ability as a wrestler, for in Draak he was pitted against one of the cleverest heavyweights in present day wrestling circles—one who combines in his repertoire strength, speed and science. And the big Dutchman was in good shape last night, too, but he was simply outclassed. Just where Olin's superiority lies it is not easy to say, even for an experienced observer. But probably, to sum it up in the fewest possible words, it is his enormous strength. Really he is a very clever wrestler, but he hides his cleverness under a mask of cool, unhurried, emotionless work, and a cat-like speed that is deceptive because of his bulk. But deprive him of these two assets and he would still be a formidable opponent for any heavyweight by reason alone of his great strength. And this quality, too, is not apparent at a glance.

He appears to carry too much fat, and his muscles lie smooth and plant under this covering of flesh. Even when contracted they do not bulge or stand out in lumps in conformity to the common idea of what a strong man's muscles should be. But just the same the strength is there, and this fact dawns upon one after watching him at work for awhile. He relies more upon his strength in his defensive work than upon his skill or science, yet he by no means lacks this latter quality. And in his offensive work his strength is even more apparent.

Olin let Draak do most of the work in the earlier moments of the match last night, and in fact, stayed on the defensive the greater part of the time of the first fall. Toward the end of this fall, however, he began to exert himself and when he did it was not long before he pinned Draak down with the body scissors and wrist lock.

The second period was much shorter, Olin taking the offensive at the start, and keeping Draak on the defensive almost all the while. Draak put up a pretty fight against the inevitable during this fall, and several times came out of holds that looked invincible. But the effort required to do this seemed to sap his strength, and when Olin again secured the fatal body scissors and wrist lock he had no trouble in holding the Dutchman's shoulders to the mat for the necessary three seconds.

Though Draak appeared to be in far better condition than the big Finn, the latter was scarcely perspiring when the bout came to an end, while the Dutchman was wet all over.

A striking feature of the match last night—and one of the most pleasing—was its cleanliness. Both men worked clean and altogether it was one of the most sportsmanlike exhibitions ever seen on a local mat.

Gunner McGurley, of Fort Caswell, refereed in his usual impartial and efficient manner. The match was witnessed by quite a large gathering of fans, though the attendance was hardly as good as the quality of the bout deserved.

It was announced that Fritz Hanson, the local wrestler, would endeavor to arrange a match with either Charley Kaiser or Pink Gardner for Friday night. The local fans would be delighted to see Hanson pitted against either of these men, both of whom are well known here.

LIKE A WOLF ON THE FOLD

The Thief Came Down and The Booze Disappeared

AN OLD darkey who
LIVES AT Carolina Beach
CAME TO town yesterday afternoon
TO GET his Christmas quart
THAT HAD been delayed in transit
AND AFTER he had received it
HE WENT to a store on Water
STREET to do some purchasing
AND LEFT his booze in his cart
ON THE street and when he came
BACK HIS booze was gone and
A LITTLE pickanniny told him
THAT A negro man had taken it
AND GONE down street with it.

SO THE old man went to
THE POLICE and with tears
IN HIS eyes told them his tale
OF WOE and the sergeant took
DOWN what he said but the
LIQUOR was not recovered and the
OLD MAN is convinced that this
IS A cruel old world that we live in
AFTER ALL.

SEMI PROS MEET TONIGHT

Boswell and Fales Attraction at Southern Athletic Club

Big little men will furnish the next wrestling attraction in Wilmington, Harry Fales and Eddie Boswell being booked to meet in a finish scrap at the Southern Athletic Club at Sixth and Castle street tonight for the semi-professional championship of the city.

The big bout will start at 8:30 and will be preceded by two preliminaries. Both Fales and Boswell are husky young fellows, and both are well versed in the tricks of the mat, and as they are rivals of old, an interesting bout is promised for those who attend.

FIRST AND SECOND ROUNDS IN TENNIS TOURNAMENT FINISHED

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 8.—The first and second rounds in the mid-winter tennis tournament here were completed today, survivors for the third round being Count Otto Salm, New York; Frank C. Lewis, Norfolk; Howard Cordes, Cincinnati; A. A. Collings, Passaic, N. J.; Hugh Whitehead, Norfolk; J. C. Jones and R. B. Weeden, Providence.

The women's singles reached the semi-finals, in which Mrs. Philip Davidson, Washington, will play Miss E. M. Cohen, Philadelphia, and Miss Florence Ballin, Brooklyn, will meet Miss Dorothy Brown, Montclair.

MAYOR MOORE SELLS VALUABLE PROPERTY TO OIL COMPANY

Two Blocks on Smith's Creek Transferred to New Owners Yesterday

Deeds were filed yesterday for record by which Mayor P. Q. Moore and wife transfer to the Texas Oil Company two valuable blocks of property on the Castle Haynes road near the Smith's Creek bridge, about two miles northeast of Wilmington, the consideration named being $15,000. The Texas Oil Company already has offices and a distributing plant located in that section. The property is located on the north side of Smith's creek, and northeast of the county bridge. Other deeds filed for record yesterday were:

J. D. James and wife to H. F. Wilder, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the west side of 14th street, 132 feet south of Orange, 33 by 75 feet in size.

John H. Beery, commissioner, to J. T. Medlin, for $1,030, lot on the southeast corner of Gwynn and Dickinson streets, 33 by 132 feet in size.

Joseph W. Little to W. W. Holloday, for $38.50, lot at Villa View. Charles Burgwin and wife to Mary E. Toomer, for $100 and other considerations, lot No. 3 of the Jacob Burg tract.

Children pull at the heart strings and their slightest illness means anxiety.
For nearly a half century mothers have had Dr. King's New Discovery at hand for croup, congestion, coughs, colds and grippe.
The mildly laxative ingredients expel the cold germs, the choking phlegm is raised, the congested chest is relieved, the cough loosened and a serious illness is averted.
Get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery at your druggist to-day.

Don't get up
at night. Drink the celebrated Shivar Mineral Water. Positively guaranteed by money-back offer. Tastes fine costs a trifle. Delivered anywhere by our Wilmington Agents, Elvington's Pharmacy Cor. 2nd and Princess Streets. Phone them

BELL-ANS
Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

Fifty-eight per clock-tick

Every time the clock ticks, fifty-eight Fatimas are lighted somewhere in the United States. No other high-grade cigarette has so many unchanging, unswerving friends.

This shows that men *do* appreciate cigarette-comfort.

For, Fatimas *are* comfortable. Not only comfortable *while* you smoke, but more than that, comfortable *after* you smoke—even though you may smoke the whole day through.

The Fatima Turkish blend is so carefully balanced that it has none of the after-effects of heavier, less skilfully blended tobaccos. That's why Fatimas are comfortable (hence, sensible)—as your first package will prove.

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

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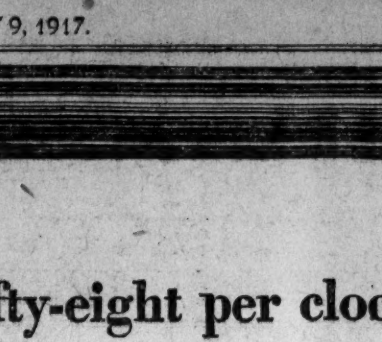

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A Sensible Cigarette

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YOU know how you say to yourself, "I'm going to do bigger things this New Year; I'm going to be more efficient, more alert.

That's where new clothes come in; they give a man confidence in himself, and inspire confidence in others. Nothing succeds like a good appearance.

And because clothes are so important to success, it's economy to have the best.

You'll find them at this store; Hart Schaffner & Marx make them; sizes, styles, and prices to suit every man.

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The home of Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes

Get Your
FIRE WORKS
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The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of The Murchison National Bank will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 1917, at eleven o'clock.

CHAS. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

Increase the Value of Your Land by Using
Du Pont Farm Powder and "Redcross" Dynamite
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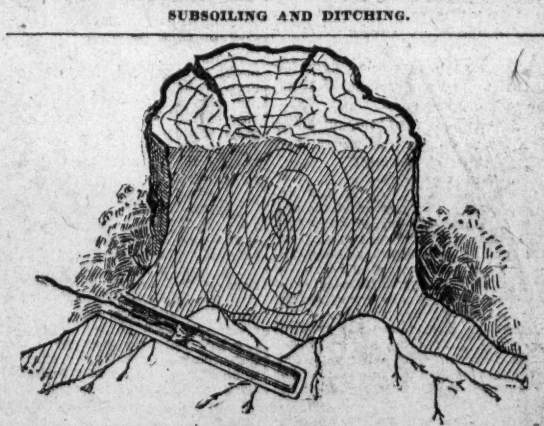

This Cut shows How Dynamite is Placed to Blow Stumps. Full information furnished for Ditching, Subsoiling and Stumping Land.

It builds a ditch as quick as the cartridges are placed and fired. Examine your land. Maybe it has a Hard Pan Underneath — If so, try breaking it with DuPont Farm Powder, and See the Difference in Your Next Crop on This Same Land.

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To have hair that falls in soft shimmering ripples, and a scalp free from deadly Dandruff, use Pompeian HAIR Massage.

By removing Dandruff, Pompeian HAIR Massage makes the scalp healthy, and scalp-health is the all-important thing in having beautiful hair.

Each bottle of Pompeian HAIR Massage has a shaker top so that you can sprinkle the clear delightful amber liquid over the hair or on the scalp only, just as you wish. Hence it is convenient and economical.

Read what a few of hundreds and hundreds of women have written us:

"Pompeian HAIR Massage has stopped scalp itching; the dandruff has disappeared, and I recommend it to all my friends." G. L., Yonkers, N. Y.

"I have never had one case of Dandruff that I could not eradicate with Pompeian HAIR Massage." Lillian Hargreaves, Hairdresser, Highgate Hill, London, England.

"I think Pompeian HAIR Massage wonderful for Dandruff." Miss H. A., Phoenix, Ariz.

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Not oily; not sticky; cannot discolor the hair. Delightful and dainty to use. Get a 25c, 50c, or $1 bottle TODAY at the store and give yourself the luxury of a treatment.

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Adv. MP.

THEATRICAL

Harold Lockwood and May Allison, the popular and talented stars now appearing together in Metro wonderplays, will be seen on the screen here at the Grand today in "Mister 44", a five-part feature filled with romance and beauty. This production is said to be the best that this brilliant couple has ever appeared in and it carries a wide appeal. Mr. Lockwood and Miss Allison are surrounded by an unusually strong supporting cast headed by Lester Cuneo, the well known leading man; Franklin Hall, Yonda Landowska, Henry Otto, Aileen Allen, Belle Hutchison, Lee Arms, and other well known artists.

The story of "Mister 44" is an unusual one, as the name implies. There are many interesting glimpses of life in the open, and contrasting pictures of life in the factories, a cheap restaurant in a city, in fashionable society, at a country club, and among the picturesque lakes, rivers and mountains of Canada. From a scenic standpoint, and in point of beauty and color, "Mister 44" has not been surpassed upon

MAY ALLISON.
Co-Star with Harold Lockwood in "Mister 44" Metro Wonderplay at the Grand Today.

the screen. It has been produced under the masterly direction of Henry Otto, who made "The River of Romance," "Undine," and other features that proved artistic sensations.

In the great out doors Mr. Lockwood and Miss Allison are called upon to display their prowess and daring in many thrilling and gripping situations. They are caught in a dangerous and treacherous stream during a storm and their boat capsized. They finally reach a small island where they are marooned for a day and a night. Under this trying situation the noblest qualities of both come to the surface and they fall in love with each other. On account of the girl's lowly place in life, and the man's exalted position in society, many obstacles are presented, which are happily overcome by their sturdy loyalty to their ideals and each other.

At the Grand.

Tomorrow is the biggest day of the week at the Grand. In fact, it is the biggest since Marguerite Clark ushered in the New Year. This is a tip direct from the management which every patron can take at its worth.

The occasion is the presentation of that great Essanay super-feature, "The Return of Eve" starring that fascinating photoplay artiste, Edna Mayo, in the title role with Eugene O'Brien playing opposite her in the role of Adam.

"The Return of Eve" will be found the most fascinating photoplay of the whole year. This modern Eden, in which a modern Adam and Eve dwell, under the guidance of a gentle old philosopher, is amid scenes of idyllic beauty—they are Nature herself. The home in which these souls dwell in happy companionship and communion is idyllic and to heighten the charm of it and its environments we once catch sight of a deer peeking through the foliage.

One cannot describe the nice attention paid to costuming in this production. And you who have seen Edna Mayo on the screen before, can well imagine her well befitting any garb. She wears clothes as they should be worn, and even in the scanty garb of Eve is a fascinating and alluring picture.

This advance notice is given today, so that every patron of the Grand can so arrange the day that they will not miss this big super-feature.

New Company at Royal.

Musical Walker and his "Hav-a-Laf" Minstrels made their opening in Wilmington yesterday, and from the time that the big brass band gave their grand free concert in front of the Royal at 2:30 yesterday afternoon until the show was over it caused Wilmington to sit up and take notice.

It is a distinct novelty in the first place, as nothing in any way resembling this big musical show has ever before been down this way. And it attracted attention first, from this standpoint. And it possesses some of the best musical talent that has been seen in Wilmington in a long time. The Grenawalts in their musical presentation, introducing both instrumental and vocal selections, were a distinct hit of the two performances yesterday, and called for loud and continued applause.

"Musical" Walker, heralded as the greatest popular priced minstrel star, is there with the goods and proceeded to deliver at each performance. "June Bug" Moore and Moore, with their musical box also excited comment aplenty and will no doubt be a big drawing card all the week.

This big show goes on for the last times today and tonight, everything being new tomorrow.

At the Bijou Today.

It is unusual for a director to play the villain in his own picture when he has so remarkable a chance for "hero stuff", but Douglas Gerrard is rather an unusual sort of a fellow. He has certainly produced an unusual picture in "In the Dead O' Night," a two reel Imp mystery drama that occupies top position on today's big bill at the Bijou in which Ruth Clifford and George Beranger have the other principal roles. The chief situation in this story is the scene in which the convict son, who has broken out of prison, makes his father murderous physician don his own convict clothes as the price of a chance to escape from the consequences of the crimes of attempted murder and forgery. It is a real thrill, and for that matter they abound throughout the entire two reels.

Pretty Eileen Sedgwick and Fred Church have the principal roles in a Victor comedy drama, "It's Great to be Married," that is also on today's bill.

Then comes the third issue of the Universal Screen Magazine which contains many items of great interest, and you know what to expect from what you saw in the two previous issues.

"September Morn."

There are six emphatic song hits in the season's greatest musical festival, "September Morn," which LeComte and Flesher will present at the Academy of Music, Saturday, matinee and night, January 13th. The title song "September Morn," has proven the sensation of the decade and "In Paree"; "When a Little Boy Loves a Little Girl"; "Beautiful Dreams I'm Dreaming"; "A Spare Rib from the Butcher Shop of Life," "Where is the Pleasure in Wine and Song if the Woman is Not There?" follow closely as popular favorites. Ruth Wilkins, whose piquant personality has made her a reigning favorite will be seen as "Argentina," the tango dancer; William Moore will appear as Rudolph Plastric, the professor of art, his funniest creation in years. Among the other well known favorites are Maud K. Williams, Valere True, Billy Murphy, J. J. Patton, James Baber, Leslie Jones and a wonderful chorus. Prices, first ten rows lower floor, $1.50; balance floor $1.00; balcony 50 and 75c. Bargain matinee, lower floor, 75c; balcony 50c. Seats on sale Thursday morning at Elvington's Front Street store.

MISS RUTH WILKINS
"The World's Greatest Tango Dancer," in "September Morn"

If You Suffer From Catarrh

don't make the fatal mistake of regarding it as a trifling matter. Authorities agree that Catarrh is an infection of the blood. Consequently, sprays, salves and lotions can afford only temporary relief, because they do not reach the source of the disease,—the blood. When you depend on these temporary remedies alone your case is likely to grow steadily worse until it becomes chronic and possibly affects the lungs.

But even if the infection does not go this far, the continuous dripping of mucous in the throat, the constant spitting and hawking and evil odor of the breath will not only cause misery to you, but will make your presence obnoxious to others. S. S. S., which has been the standard blood medicine for fifty years, will relieve your catarrh, because it will purify your blood and relieve it of the accumulated poisons. S. S. S. contains no mineral or habit-forming drugs. S. S. S. is on sale at all druggists and the advice of our medical department is at your disposal, free of charge. Swift Specific Co., 302 Swift Building, Atlanta, Ga.

WEBB-KENYON LAW IS CONSTITUTIONAL SAYS U. S. SUPREME COURT

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receive, possess, sell or in any manner use liquor contrary to the state prohibition."

CASES BROUGHT FOR TSET BY JAMES CLARK DISTILLING CO.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Liquor legislations—the federal Webb-Kenyon Act of March 1, 1913, and West Virginia's prohibition laws—were brought before the Supreme Court in two test cases of the James Clark Distilling Co., of Cumberland, Md., against the American Express Co., and Western Maryland Railroad. Whether prohibition states, under the Webb-Kenyon law or otherwise, may prohibit shipment of intoxicating liquors, in interstate commerce, for personal use of citizens in "dry" territory was the principal question raised.

In the two West Virginia cases, the liquor interests asserted that it was not necessary for the Supreme Court to determine constitutionality of the Webb-Kenyon Law unless the court should uphold the West Virginia statute prohibiting West Virginians from "receiving or possessing" liquor secured in interstate commerce by transportation over common carriers.

Question of Personal Use

An incidental question raised was whether prohibition states which permit their citizens to "have and use" liquor may prohibit interstate carriers from transporting liquor to such citizens for their individual use and not for sale.

Effectual enforcement of "dry" legislation in prohibition states was said by prohibition advocates to depend largely upon validity of the Webb-Kenyon Act, designated to give "dry" states the right to prevent liquor shipments from "wet" states. Counsel for the liquor interests contended that the Webb-Kenyon Act is void if ti delegates to states the federal right to regulate interstate commerce. They also contend that, as West Virginia's prohibition laws permit citizens to have and use liquor, although prohibiting its manufacture or sale, an amendment of 1915 prohibiting citizens from "receiving or possessing" liquor by common carriers in interstate commerce is unconstitutional.

Named for Its Co-Authors.

The Webb-Kenyon law was entitled "an act divesting intoxicating liquors of their interstate character in certain cases". It was named for its co-authors, Webb of North Carolina and Senator Kenyon of Iowa. The act was passed over President Taft's veto and provides that shipment of intoxicating liquors from one state to another, "which intoxicating liquor is intended by any person interested therein, to be received, possessed, sold or in any manner used—in violation of any law of such state—is hereby prohibited."

The especial clause of West Virginia's prohibition law attacked as void makes it unlawful for any person in that state "to receive, directly or indirectly, intoxicating liquors from a common or other carrier." The law also was made applicable to "liquors intended for personal use or otherwise and to interstate as well as intrastate shipments." Another clause however, permits persons to personally carry in to the state liquor, not exceeding a half gallon, for personal use and when plainly labelled. Before the Supreme Court, the liquor interests argued that this latter clause gave the right to "have and use" liquor and that, therefore, the law banning interstate shipment was void as a state regulation of interstate commerce, not affected by the Webb-Kenyon law.

Appeal From Judge Rose

These and other incidental questions were presented in appeal of the James Clark Distilling Co., from a decree of Federal Judge Rose of Maryland dismissing injunction suits against the American Express Co., and Western Maryland railroad, in which the distiller sought to require the carriers to accept liquor for shipment into West Virginia for personal use of consignees whose orders were received by mail. Sections of the West Virginia law also made liquor order solicitations by mail illegal and made the place of delivery of liquor the "place of sale"; these sections were also attacked as invalid before the Supreme Court.

The Webb-Kenyon law was before the Supreme Court once before, in a Kentucky liquor case, but the court did not then determine its validity, holding merely that as Kentucky's constitution did not permit prohibition of "personal use" of liquor the Webb-Kenyon Act was not applicable there. Constitutionality of the Webb-Kenyon law was questioned even before its passage. President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham held it an unconstitutional delegation of federal power to the states to interfere with interstate commerce. Congress promptly passed it over the veto, in February, 1913.

Later as Attorney General the present Supreme Court Justice McReynolds ruled that the law is not a penal act and that prosecutions for its violation could not be brought in federal courts.

Virtually every inferior federal and state court which has considered the statute has upheld its constitutionality; several cases have arisen in Delaware, Tennessee, Iowa, Texas, Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, Kansas, South Carolina, Mississippi and Idaho.

PROHIBITION TO BE ENFORCED AS NEVER BEFORE IN STATE

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 8.—The prohibition laws in West Virginia will be more strongly enforced than ever before as a result of the action of the United States Supreme Court today in declaring constitutional the Webb-Kenyon law and the amendment to the Yost law in this state prohibiting the importation in interstate commerce of liquor for personal use, according to a statement issued tonight for Fred O. Blue state tax commissioner.

"For two years and a half this state has been restrained by reason of the pending suits and the questions involved therein" the statement says. "From this time on, more vigorous efforts will be made than have ever been made in this state before and it is now fairly and squarely put up to the legislature to enact such laws as will fully carry into effect the wishes of the people of this state as expressed by them in the ratification of the prohibition amendment in 1912."

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Senator Shafroth spoke on his bill for a single presidential term.

Interstate Commerce committee continued hearings on railroad legislation.

Adopted conferenec report on immigration bill.

Adjourned at 5:23 P. M. to noon Tuesday.

HOUSE

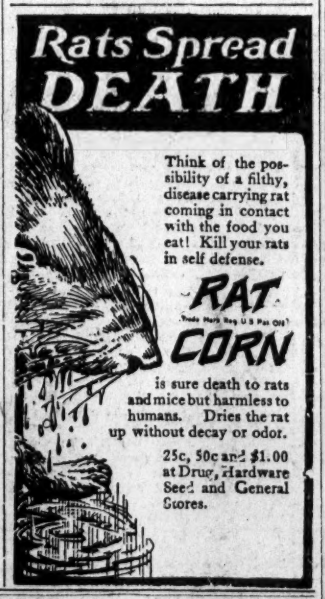
Met at noon.

Secretary Lansing, Secretary Tumulty and Thomas W. Lawson testified at the Rules committee "leak" inquiry.

Passed annual agricultural appropriation bill.

Rules committee took under advisement a motion to hold Thomas W. Lawson in contempt of the House.

Adjourned until 11 A. M. Tuesday.



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We offer our superior line of Coats at the special price of 1/3 off. We quote below a few of the values at this reduction.

$32.50 Coats, Special at $21.67
$25.00 Coats, Special at $16.67
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We are clearing out our entire winter stock so that we can have plenty of room for the new spring goods which will begin to arrive shortly; in fact, some of them have already been received and are being put in stock.

A Delayed Christmas Shipment of Cretonne Boxes Has Arrived

We received yesterday a shipment of cretonne and matting boxes that should have been here for Xmas business, and we offer them to you at very low prices.

Cretonne boxes from $4.50 to $7.50; special at **$3.60** to **$6.00.**

Matting boxes from $3.75 to $6.00; Special at **$3.00** to **$4.80.**

This price will be good only Tuesday and Wednesday, so we advise you to make your selection now.

Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs 25c

We have just replenished our stock of crepe de chine colored borders handkerchiefs, and you will find here a nice selection at **25c.**

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In Which is Answered the Question: "Should a Man Marry Beneath His Station?"

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We Say: SOLKY assortments today are equal in every respect to any stock usually shown in the Fall, the prices ranging from
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Douglas Gerrard
—With—
Ruth Clifford
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TOP O' THE MORNING.

To help your brother along the road
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and to give a glad New Year. —EX.

This is Leak Week in Washington.

Governor-elect Edge, of New Jersey, started life as a "printer's devil," but it is owing to what kind of governor he will make whether he will be an honor to printers' devils as a whole.

Why don't the newspaper men in Washington save all that trouble by explaining that leak? Which of the newspaper men stayed up late on the job on the night of the leak?

We know for sure that prosperity has again struck the South. Many cities throughout the South are being invaded by publicity people with various propositions, wise and otherwise.

Growling and complaining continuously never helped a cause or a condition. The only way people can help themselves is by doing something and by keeping others from doing them.

What are we going to do for Wilmington before January comes to a close? Have we no programme that we could be working out? Even Columbia has gone to work and is doing and getting things.

Eastern North Carolina ought to send a big delegation to the State forestry convention to be held in Raleig January 24th and 25th. Reforestation would be a simple matter in the long leaf pine belt, and in view of the rapid destruction of our valuable forests, it is time that some intelligent attention should be given to them.

Farm labor is reported as scarce in several of the cotton growing states. Since the day of cheap labor seems to have passed, there is no longer any reason for the manufacturers of the world to expect cheap cotton. Some of the farmers who have cotton have decided that it possibly may be cheaper to keep it than to make it.

North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia are in a hot race for desirable homeseekers from the North and the Central West. They don't want foreigners who cannot readily be assimilated with the natives, but they are offering all sorts of inducements to Americans who want Southern opportunities. North Carolina will have to be up and doing.

Says a newspaper headline: "People Robbed in Wall Street." We guess they went on The Street to get in the game but somebody saw 'em first. When men gamble, some are going to win and others lose, but when a follow is not a good loser he claims that he has been robbed. Suppose he had won? Well, the other fellow would claim that he had been robbed. A game of chance is no place for innocent by-standers—that is, if they are "sho nuff" innocent!

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot thus plumbs the line: "Boiled down to its last analysis, the situation seems to be about this: The North regards as "pork" any Federal appropriation which does not go to that section and none that does." That is quite apparent, except to the papers of some Southern cities which editorialize on the "pork barrel," overlooking entirely the fact that all government appropriations for their cities or waterways are ranked as "pork" by the Northern press, which is long on "pork barrel" editorials. A paper in a certain Virginia city contains frequent attacks on the pork barrel, yet its city wants and needs a half million dollars for a worthy waterway project that has long been neglected by the government and possibly overlooked by the local "pork barrel" exploiter.

A NEW RIVER AND HARBOR POLICY

Probably if Congress will adopt a river and harbor policy and work up to it, there will not be so much said about the "pork barrel" in this country. No country ever had such immense possibilities in its waterways as has the United States, but if there is no systematic plan of developing them, how can the rivers and harbors and the navigable streams of this country be made to serve the real purpose of building up transportation system of this country with a view to creating a more economic and at the same time a more potential means of increasing this country's commerce.

We don't believe half as much in the public clamor about the "pork barrel" in waterways and public buildings appropriations as the noise about it has aroused, but possibly it may serve to bring about a better system of gradually developing the most needful of the country's water transportation and erecting such public buildings as will prove to be a saving to the government. So far as rivers and harbors development is concerned, President Wilson recommends that a commision be created under the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Interior to take charge of river and harbor projects, in consultation with the army engineers and possibly experts versed in the actual needs of commerce and the naval defense as well.

We don't believe that any excessive amount of the people's money is wasted on waterways projects, but it is quiet likely that much of the country's expenditure is misdirected in the development of projects that can wait their turn. Emergency projects should receive the first attention, and rather be made the object than that of the present plan to spend money on "meritorious projects". Most all of them are meritorious but certainly emergency projects should receive first attention.

Whether Congress should give up its right to both appropriate money and direct its expenditure remains to be seen, but the sense of the country is that there is too much looseness in the even disirable development of our waterways. The main object of our continental rail and water transportation system should be to reach the country's ports, not one but all of them—and since the railways can be largely depended upon as interior carriers, it may not seem necessary to develop waterways to points which already have the means of rail transportation—unless they are such points as will produce such a volume of export commerce as to warrant large outlays of the country' money.

The war in Europe has demonstrated the inadequacy of the country's port facilities, although there are many so-called ports. But few of them were prepared to take care of the country's commerce, hence the freight congestion at New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and possibly some of the lesser ports that were congested simply because their port facilities were inadequate. Both for commercial and defense purposes, more attention certainly should be paid to all the ports of the country. The trouble is not in reaching them with shipments from the interior but it lies in taking care of those shipments at some of the ill equipped ports of this country, notably on the South Atlantic. Of course, if they are not prepared with deep water, warehouse terminals and shipping, there is no need of more transportation facilities with the interior. Possibly some of them already have more interior transportation than can be taken care of at the ports. South Atlantic ports are limited by their port facilities and ship preparedness, so they can not be made available even during emergencies either for commerce or defense purposes. We believe that this country ought to see first to its harbors and coast defense projects, for they may be needed some day when interior transportation may not be so necessary for the national welfare.

The Inland Waterways project certainly ought to receive the serious attention of Congress as a great national project, and the government certainly should have ample port facilities on the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts, for war would demonstrate the fact that less than one eighth of our entire coast could provide refuge or rendevouz advantages for the most costly ships of our navy.

President Wilson may be right in his position on the matter but if his suggestion is not carried out, Congress certainly ought to change its policy and methods of appropriating the public money for any and all sorts of projects, even though they may be "meritorious". The Nation's needs certainly ought to receive the first attention, and such expenditures should be no more than the country should reasonably make in order to meet a national demands, first of all. Local demand here and there can be considered on their merits some other time.

Imagine what a great howl there is in England. Parliament proposes to increase the dog tax from $1.50 to $5.00, not so much to get the revenue but to get rid of some of the 2,000,000 dogs of England. They are eating food that is necessary for the population, but even at that the dog owners are entering a mighty protest.

After next Thursday it will be Governor Thomas W. Bickett. He will take the oath of office and then will begin a service of four years that we are sure will redound to the benefit of North Carolina.

INCREASE IN FARM OWNERSHIP

One of the most gratifying statements in the annual report of the Hon. W. A. Graham, State Commissioner of Agriculture, is that farm ownership is on the inrease in North Carolina. In some states the reverse is true, since farm ownership is gradually becoming less, owing to the fact that the lands of the South are falling into the hands of the few, who are speculating in them rather than using them for agricultural purposes, except under an unprofitable tenant system.

Commissioner Graham states, however, that in 61 counties in North Carolina a total of 3,987 tenants or renters became land owners between 1910 and 1915. It would be exceedingly gratifying were that to continue, for then there would not only be a better development of agriculture in the State, but a better citizenship based upon home ownership. We hope it was the renters and tenants who became land owners, rather than that the increased ownership of lands is due to newcomers who have bought lands and settled in the State. We would like to see it both ways, but we take it that Commissioner Graham really finds that nearly 4,000 renters and tenants have so prospered that it is they who have bought lands, besides the land buyers who are now continually coming into this State from the North and Middle West.

The report of the Commissioner shows rapid progress in the development of agriculture in the State, and that sooner or later will furnish the very best inducements for the influx of thrifty newcomers. North Carolina is more largely producing her own feedstuffs, since he says that the farmers of this State produced $60,000,000 more food products in 1916 than was produced in 1910. However, the State still buys from other states foodstuffs valued at $17,000,000 yearly. That is a considerable drain, but we must have a self-sustaining agriculture that will stop that drain and keep those $17,000,000 in the State. At the same time, that is much less than North Carolina used to send away for food and feedstuffs only a few years ago.

The farmers of this State are now producing more of everything and the most hopeful sign is that the acreage production has been largely increased. That will soon add to land values in this State, although we must remember that the chief thing that makes land comparatively cheap in this State is the 22,000,000 acres of idle land in North Carolina. Land, like everything else, is either heap or high according to whether land is plentiful or scarce. At present land is so plentiful that it is not reasonable to suppose that land values will increase rapidly till land gets scarcer.

Nevertheless, land values are increasing because of the increased value of their production. Better farming is doing that, and really that is the best basis of land values in our State. Our lands will produce crops far greater in value than the merely nominal value placed upon them, for some of the new comers to this State have actually paid for their lands with one crop. A new comer to New Hanover county supported his family, paid for a fairly improved farm and built a handsome home on his farming profits during the short space of only three years. This shows our real land value here, regardless of the price at which land may be sold.

NEGROES CAN'T STAND THE COLD NORTH.

According to an Atlanta story, the negroes who went north from Georgia, Florida, Alabama and other Southern states are dying by the scores on account of their inability to withstand the extreme cold of the North. They have suffered great hardhips and are filling the hospitals as victims of pneumonia. Many deaths are reported by sympathetic persons writing from Northern cities to which the colored Southerners have drifted for help.

In one hospital alone, that at Newark, N. J., it is reported that more than 70 Southern darkeys are at the point of death. The Associated Charities in various Northern localiites are giving their entire time in an effort to alleviate the pitiable condition of these people. Charitable workers at Newark are endeavoring to get in touch with their former employers in the South, with the hope that they will send money north to bring many of the sufferers back to the South.

It is said the people at Newark regard it as a great calamity for these unfortunate negroes to have been induced to go north. They were taken to Newark and Bayonne by a white man who offered them big wages to work in a fertilizer factory. A Newark paper in describing the condition of the negroes there states that many of them are being herded into quarters that rapidly become unsanitary and that death is taking its toll. "We want to go home," is the cry of the entire group, but the authorties in New Jersey see no other way to help them than to get them in touch again with their Southern employers.

That is the story as it reaches Atlanta and published in greater detail in The Constitution. Nevertheless, the movement northward continues, for a labor agent is said to have reached Wilmington this week to employ all the hands, white and colored, he could get. One of Wilmington's colored citizens stated yesterday that 35 negro emigrants were waiting at the Atlantic Coast Line station yesterday morning to take the train for the North.

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MANUFACTURERS LOOKING SOUTH.

We note from some of our exchanges in the interior that more Northern manufacturers than usual are casing about in the South for factory locations. Especially is that the case among manufacturers of cotton commodities. Knitters especially are coming South because they can get here the yarns that are produced by mills where the cotton is grown.

Some of the smaller manufacturers also are coming South because big industrial plants in the North are employing more labor and thus creating a labor scarcity at the North. Then again, the success of the knitting mill industry in North Carolina, and the satisfactory condition of manufacturing enterprises generally, is attracting attention to the splendid industrial opportunities in this State.

Now is a good time for Wilmington to keep a close eye on the chances to get some of the manufacturers who are investigating the South Atlantic States for locations.

COMMISSION GOVERNMENT.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 8, 1917.

To the Editor of The Star:

I have read your editorial in the morning paper about the meeting on Saturday night and its action with reference to the Commission Form of Government. As I understood the action of the meeting, it did not pass upon the merits or demerits of a Commission Form of Government, or any other form of government. It merely decided that it was impracticable to thoroughly consider the pending bill and have it passed within the time limited, and so asked that the bill be not passed.

This action was probably influenced by the fact that it was stated to the meeting that, under the new Amendment to the Constitution, all charters of cities and towns would have to be taken out under a general law. By that general law, which is being formulated for consideration by the General Assembly, by the committees appointed by the State Municipal Association, the Bar Association and the Legislative Committees of the various Chambers of Commerce. I am informed that there will be provision made for three different schemes, or forms, of city government:

1. The old Aldermanic form.
2. The regular Commission form.
3. The managerial form.

These committees have spent a great deal of time and thought upon these plans, and it is confidently believed that the plans which they will advocate will be the best attainable, under each of these forms; and if adopted by the Legislature any city or town desiring to have either form, may do so by popular vote. When, however, it adopts a form it will be the one provided for by the General Law, and the best the General Assembly can devise and enact. Respectfully,

GEORGE ROUNTREE.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star says: "The reason that the United States adopted and had adhered to the Monroe Doctrine was on account of the monarchical policies that dominate European powers. They are always seeing something and trying to get it first. If you are looking for the cause of war, you don't have to look very far." But Uncle Sam said he adopted that doctrine for his own safety.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

The Secretary of the Navy is "some politician," in the estimation of H. A. Brown, of San Francisco, who is visiting in Washington, and who has expressed that view to The Post. In fact, Brown gives credit for Wilson's election to Secretary Daniels. He thinks Daniels is responsible for the carrying of California and New Hampshire by the Democrats. Each of these states has a navy yard. Brown argues that in New Hampshire, as in California, the Secretary "piled up work." "Thousands of men were given work at Kittery, near Portsmouth," he says, "and for the first time since 1856 the city of Portsmouth went Democratic and the state of New Hampshire was carried by the Democrats by a plurality of less than 100." It was "all because of the great number of Democrats that had gone to work in the navy yard there," according to the reasoning of Mr. Brown. He figures out a similar condition and a similar result in California. We are able to follow Brown to a certain extent. Perhaps Seretary Daniel did not have political gain in mind when he opened these navy yards to the workmen of the two states—and surely employment was open to others than Democrats—but when it comes to a knowledge of the art of politics, the country might turn to some of the statesmen North Carolina has placed in the public eye, and Mr. Daniels is one of them.—Charlotte Observer.

If a farmer of Mecklenburg county would bring a porker to the Charlotte market for sale, the chances are he would sell it for 13 cents and then if he was forced to buy some fat back with which to return to his farm, he would probably pay 17 cents for that commodity. That represents the difference between an article that a farmer has both to sell and to buy. Unfortunately, many of them are forced to buy bacon. Just as unfortunately, few of them are offering whole hogs on the Charlotte market. But the difference exists and it exists not alone in meats. It extends to other kinds of produce. If the chamber of commerce of this city wants to do something during the new year that is really worth while, let it study out this problem that faces the producers of Mecklenburg county. If it succeeds in working out some form of programme that will make it more profitable for the farmers of Mecklenburg to sell produce and various commodities on the city market, the chamber will at the same time start an enterprise that will eventually hold from Western coffers several million dollars that are now annually leaving Mecklenburg for foodstuffs and feedstuffs.—Charlotte News.

In its last weekly statement of the year 1916, the Federal reserve board took occasion to summarize the growth of the reserve system during that year. Perhaps the most striking result was the growth in cash reserves, especially those consisting of gold. The increase in the aggregate was $112,763,000, of which $103,750,000 consisted of gold. The gold holdings of the reserve agents reached $282,523,000, which, with that in the bank reserves, made up a total of $736,236,000, compared with $542,413,000 at the beginning of the year. The gold resources were differently distributed in the course of the year, the New York percentage declining from 48.9 to 38.4, while there was a general gain in percentage in the West and South. There was but a slight increase in the paid-up capital of the Federal reserve banks, from $54,915,000 to $55,,695,000, but the increase in what are designated as "earning assets" was from $83,400,000 to $222,100,000, or about 166 per cent. The ratio of these assets to paid in capital rose from 160 to 400 per cent during the year. Discounts and municipal warrants on hand at the end of the year were considerably below the amount for the previous year, but the United States bonds owned, amounting to $644,200,000, were three times as much as a year before. The change in the character of earning assets is significant, 57.4 per cent consisting of acceptances, compared with 27.6 per cent at the end of 1915. United States securities increased from 18.9 to 24.9 per cent, while discounts fell from 38.9 to 13.6 and warrants from 14.6 to 4.1 per cent. These figures are an imperfect index to the growing usefulness of the Federal bank system. The dealing in acceptances, with a view to domestic exchange, is still in its infancy and arrangements for wide service in connection with foreign exchange have hardly taken effect. So far as accumulation and distribution of reserves is concerned, it has been favored by the heavy influx of gold during the great excess of merchandise exports caused by the war. When a turn in this tide comes, it is bound to serve a more directly useful purpose in controlling the drain and maintaning a safe margin and proper relation. One of the most useful functions thus far has been regulating the flow of cash and credit between sections of the country without strain, over our long lines of communication, over which the volume of traffic varies with the seasons, and the fluctuations in trade movements.—New York Journal of Commerce.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO BRING BICKETT TO RALEIGH THURSDAY

Special Committee to Escort Next Governor to Capital—Inauguration.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—A special legislative committee will go on a special train to Louisburg to escort Governor-elect Bickett to Raleigh for the inaugural ceremonies which will take place in the city auditorium Thursday immediately on the arrival of the Governor's train from Louisburg, about 10 o'clock.

There will be the usual ceremony, including the presentation of the Great Seal of State by Governor Craig to his successor and the administering of the oath of office by Chief Justice Walter Clark. The Bible to be used will be a special one presented by Chairman Pegram, of the House committee on inauguration. It will be especially handsome, with gold letter inscription of the name of the Governor, the date of the inaugural, the Chief Justice and the names of the inaugural committee. The administering of the oath of office to the other State officers will follow the inaugural address.

Immediately after the ceremonies in the auditorium, Governor and Mrs. Bickett will be escorted to the Governor's Mansion, where there will be a luncheon in their honor. In the evening there will be a reception at the Mansion, in which legislators and prominent citizens from every section of the State will be participants. The receiving line will include Hon. Locke Craig, the State officers and their wives and others. This will be from 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock. Thereafter there will be a brilliant inaugural ball in the city auditorium Especially fine music has been procured for the inaugural ceremonies and the ball.

TO EXTEND PUBLIC WELCOME TO GOVERNOR LOCKE CRAIG

Asheville to Give Demonstration Upon Return of Her Citizen.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 8.—Citizens of Asheville are planning to extend a public welcome to Governor Locke Craig on his return home this week after his term as Governor expires. It is felt that some such demonstration is due to Asheville's famous son, and a committee will be named at once to take charge of the details.

Tentative plans discussed include meeting the Governor at the train with a large delegation, escorting him to some public place and addresses of welcome by various men prominent in the affairs of the city. Mayor Rankin, it is expected, will speak for the city and the bar, county government, board of trade and other civic bodies will be represented.

Governor Craig recently erected a splendid new home in Grove Park which he will occupy on his return.

LIST OF NEW CORPORATIONS INCLUDES FAYETTEVILLE FIRM

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—Charters for new corporations were issued today as follows:

The Dunn-Banks Co., Fayetteville, capital $25,000 authorized and $15,000 subscribed by W. H. Dunn, C. N. Dunn, B. B. Rankin, H. L. Banks and others for a general mercantile business.

The Cash Clothing Co., of Elkin, capital $20,000 authorized and $3,650 subscribed by W. J. Burcham, William Burcham and others for a general clothing business.

The N. A. Pell Co., of Dunn, capital $15,000 authorized and $4,000 subscribed by N. A. Pell, G. M. Floyd, and others for a general mercantile business.

An amendment for the charter of The Leak-Cobb Co., of Winston-Salem, provides for the issuance of $50,000 preferred stock so that the capital will be $50,000 each of preferred and common stock. The company does a general insurance and real estate business and J. O. Cobb is the president.

SANDFORD MARTIN ARRIVES

Getting Acquainted With Work of Private Secretary to Governor

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—Mr. Santford Martin, editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, who is to serve as private secretary to Governor T. W. Bickett, arrived last night and is devoting his time to a study of the system and general files and records in the offices of the Governor, Miss May F. Jones, private secretary to Governor Craig, being his coach in this work of preparation for taking over the private secretary's office next Thursday, following the inaugural ceremonies.

Mr. Martin will bring his family to Raleigh a little later. He expects to continue the direction of the editorial work of the Journal, a work in which he has made for himself and his newspaper quite a reputation.

CONFLAGRATION AT YORK, S. C.

Several Buildings Burned; Loss $100,000 to $125,000

York, S. C., Jan. 8.—Fire starting in rubbish in the McNeel building here today destroyed that building and a bank, library, postoffice and a theatre. The estimated loss is from $100,000 to $125,000. Fire fighting apparatus was sent from Rock Hill, S. C.

INDIA TEA

A Way to End the War

A Berlin paper says:—"At teatime big hotels and restaurants are filled to overflowing, with excellent music. . . . You cannot help feeling that a stoppage of the import of tea would result in a catastrophe for England."

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HEALTH BOARD DOES NOT ELECT OFFICERS

Election is Postponed Until Later in the Week.

Abatement of Nuisance in Southern Part of City Discussed—Annual Report of Dr. Nesbitt Read. Other Reports.

The Board of Health did not elect officers for the ensuing year at its regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, although this was the time fixed by law for the election, but took a recess until later in the week. The election was postponed at the request of Dr. John C. Wessell, who stated that as he had just been elected to the board and this was the first meeting that he had attended, he wished to give the matter further consideration.

The officers to be elected include the county health officer, the county physician, meat and milk inspector, food inspector, plumbing inspector, chief of the sanitary police, public health nurse, stenographer and clerk. If there are to be any changes made in the present force, members of the Board of Health have given no intimation of it. There may be some opposition to the re-election of Dr. Nesbitt as county health officer, however, and it was the current report that it was for this reason that the election of officers was postponed.

Mr. C. C. Chadbourn asked the board to condemn the conditions in the southern part of the city caused by the dumping of night soil, declaring that it was a nuisance and should be abated. He referred to the fact that he had applied to Council for relief but had so far failed to get it. Mayor Moore informed the board that Council had appointed a committee composed of Councilmen Bradshaw, Merritt and Jones to find out what can be done.

Councilman Bunting appeared before the board to call attention to a hundred or more residences in the city which he had found within the sewerage district, whose owners, he thought, were amply able to provide plumbing and he felt that if they were made to comply with the law that this would aid greatly in abating the nuisance. It was because of this fact that Council had delayed in purchasing the 700 cans as recommended by the Board of Health.

Dr. Nesbitt stated that in a number of the instances mentioned by Councilman Bunting that it was impossible for the owners of the property to make sewage connection unless the sewer lines were extended up alleys. He also stated that in other instances the property had only recently changed hands and that the new owners would comply with the law. In other instances the owners had persistently refused to comply with the law and he felt that it would be necessary to issue warrants.

Dr. Nesbitt referred to his annual report which shows that during the past year an average of two flush closets have been installed daily. Six years ago there were 6,000 surface closets in the city while today there are not more than 700. He thought that this is indeed a remarkable record. He thought that if the city would provide 700 cans that all of the sewerage could be taken care of then by dumping the refuse into the vat at the foot of Greenfield street, which has already been put in, provided the city would improve the street, so the wagons could reach it. He also suggested that a place could be fixed for dumping it into the sewer on Howard street.

While the contents of the sanitary cans could be dumped into the sewer, the refuse from the surface closets cannot be, he said, because it would stop up the pipes. He was sure that this is the only solution of the problem. He assured Mr. Chadbourn that City Council and the Board of Health are just as anxious as anyone can be to abate the nuisance complained of.

Dr. Nesbitt read his annual report in which he reviewed at some length the work of the department during the past year. The board directed that the report be published in the monthly Health Bulletin.

Dr. Nesbitt was granted a vacation of three weeks, beginning the middle of this month.

The various monthly reports were submitted and ordered filed. The sanitary quality of the city water was reported by the director of the laboratory, Mr. George F. Catlett, to have been very satisfactory during the month of December.

Mr. H. R. Aiken, food inspector, reported the grading and scoring of 96 food and soft drink establishments during the month of December and in addition 279 official inspections of such places were made. The food inspection scores for the different places follow:

Soda Fountains—The Center, 96.1; United Cigar Store, 95.4; Chas. F. Green 94.2; Wilmington Cigar Co., 94.2; Elvington's (Princess street) 94; Payne Drug Co., 93.2; Mission Pharmacy 93.1; Elvington's (Front street), 93; Newman's, 92; Baxter Tobacco Co., 91; Hanover Drug Co., 90; Warren's, 89.5; E. M. Cheek, 86.5; Starkey's, 86.5; Bunting's, 84.5; Shepard Bros., 84.5.

Ice Cream and Confectionery Plants—N. Kostelos, 94.1; Saffo Bros. (Front street), 88.5; Xanthos Bros., 87.9; Atlantic Confectionery, 79.5; M. Mansuras, 76.4; Saffo Bros. (Fourth street), 76; Ideal Confectionery, 75; John Phillips, 73; North Pole Confectionery, 72.2; N. Patelos, 71.8; Washington Candy Store, 68.5; J. Pasvonis, 68.3; M. Paturis, 58.5; Jeff Zonnes, 57.6; Angelus & Pipos, 53.8.

Restaurants—Newman's, 93.8; Gieschen Bros., 85; Star, 83.2; Olympia, 82.5; Dixie Cafe, 81.1; Royal, 81; New York, 80.5; Coast Line, 80; Savage & Savage, 78.1; Crumpler & Scott, 78.1.

Bakeries—Globe, 89.8; Farris, 89.5; Royal, 84.5.

Fish Stalls—R. C. Fergus, 78.5; O. R. King, 77.5.

Ice Cream Factories—A. G. Warren, 90.5; J. W. Plummer, 85.5; Frost. Co., 83.5; Xanthos Bros, 68.5; Elvington's, 68; M. Paturis, 65; Saffo Bros, (Fourth street), 64.5; Jeff Zonnes, 63.3; Washington Candy Store, 60; N. Patelos, 59; John Phillips, 58.5; Angelus & Pipos 58; J. Pasvanos, 56.

Markets—New Way, 93.2; Nurnberger's, 93; Davis & Hintze, 91.5; C. O. Knox, 85; Batson's, 83.5; Pure Food, 80.6; O. H. Kennedy, 80; J. F. Sellars, 80; People's Market, 79.6; B. B. Bryan, 79; Mrs. M. T. Madrin, 76; V. W. Sidbury & Son, 75; H. W. Konig, 72.5; Todd Bros., 66; L. L. Shepard, 65.5.

Groceries—Hall & Ross, 94.2; Wil-

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OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

North State Tent Held Public Installation With Impressive Ceremonies Last Night.

The newly elected officers of North State Tent, No. 8 of the Maccabees, were publicly installed with impressive ceremonies last night at the Maccabees hall in the Odd Fellows' building on Third Street. Mayor P. Q. Moore delivered the address of the evening, and State Commander H. S. Carpenter of Raleigh assisted by Local Deputy S. G. Nelms, installed the officers. Other pleasing features of the evening were the musical selections by the West-Whitlock orchestra, and the readings by Miss Frances Sullivan and Miss Taylor, and selections by the Maccabee Quartette.

The newly installed officers are; Past Commander, J. Robert Hollis; commander, W. K. Mintz; lieutenant commander, W. S. Mintz; record keeper, I. C. Pickett; chaplain, R. L. Merritt; sergeant, I. Willis; master at-arms, A. B. Thomas; first master of guards, H. A. Mercer; second master of guards, T. J. Gaskill; sentinel, J. H. Penny; pickett, L. S. Mixon:

The grogramme was as follows:

Selection.—Maccabee Quartette

Introduction of Speaker—C. C. Cashwell, Esq.

Address—Mayor P. Q. Moore

Selection—West Whitlock Orchestra.

Reading, "Blacksmith's Anvil"—Miss Frances Sullivan

Selection—Maccabee Quartette

Reading, "Mary Jane's Beans"—Miss Taylor

Introduction of State Commander—Mr. Hill.

Address by State Commander, H. S. Carpenter, of Raleigh.

Installation of Officers—State Commander assisted by Local Deputy S. G. Nelms.

Selection. "Loving Good Night"—Maccabee Quartette.

WALTER VICK TALKS ABOUT POSSIBILITIES OF EXPORTS

Former Wilmingtonian Explains Movement For Closer Co-Operation

As stated in yesterday's Star, Mr. Walter W. Vick, well known to many people in Wilmington, where he formerly lived, and more recently receiver general for the Republic of Santo Domingo, is now in the South for the purpose of endeavoring to draw the mill owners into direct co-operation with the exporter and thereby aid the country in its effort to gain additional South American trade. Mr. Vick is now in Charlotte for a few days.

"The movement to draw the manufacturer closer to the exporter," is quoted in yesterday's Charlotte Observer as saying, "is being launched primarily by the present Administration, which works in conjunction with the exporter for the good of the country at large in its commercial dealings with the South American Republics."

"As outlined by Mr. Vick, the movement is obviously for the purpose of doing away with the commission man, or the middleman, who yearly handles a large part of the country's products, in dealing with the foreign countries, and to get the manufacturer to sell directly to the exporter who pays equally as large a price for the goods, and does away with an extra expense, of commission. This is, many times, a bane to the manufacturer who is desirous of placing his goods with foreign countries.

"With the manufacturer selling directly to the exporter, he is immediately assured of a permanent out, let for his ever-increasing supply of the manufactured commodity and the lack of this element many times proves a draw-back to the manufacturer.

"It will not only tend to assure the manufacturer a permanent outlet for his goods" continued Mr. Vick, "but it will work a benefit in his favor, equally as profit deriving, in that it will assure him of a price for his goods that will come nearer to the permanent standard of profitableness, than any reached heretofore.

"This is so," said Mr. Vick, "for the reason that the large exporter has the funds to back up large credit dealings with the foreign Republics, and thus secure for both the manufacturer and the foreign dealer, a feeling of easiness as to the payment for goods purchased that is necessary to the large enterprise."

WILMINGTON MAN DIES ON BORDER AT EL PASO, TEXAS

George T. Guthrie, of Engineer Company Died Saturday or Sunday.

George Thomas Guthrie, a private in Company A, North Carolina Engineers died at Camp Stewart, El Paso, Texas, either Saturday or Sunday morning, according to telegrams received by his sisters and father in this city late Sunday afternoon. Little details were given concerning the young soldier's death, and it is not known whether he died from natural causes or was killed.

Lieut. William A. Peschau, second in command of the company, was instructed by the dead man's relatives to ship the remains to Wilmington. As it will take some four or five days for the body to reach here, after leaving El Paso, no funeral arrangements have as yet been definitely determined. It is probable that an escort of honor will be sent home with the dead soldier.

Private Guthrie was a native of Wilmington, and is survived by a father, Mr. John W. Guthrie, and two sisters, Mrs. J. S. Lane and Mrs. J. S. Canady, all of this city. The young man made his home with Mrs. Canady while in Wilmington. In civilian life Mr. Guthrie was a painter, and has many friends in the city.

He was among the first to offer his services to his country when the engineering unit was organized here during the latter part of the past summer and is the first Wilmingtonian to die in the service. Undertaker W. E. Yopp will have charge of the body upon its arrival from the border.

Bible Classes Resumed.

The Y. M. C. A. Bible classes were resumed last night, after the intermission for the Christmas holidays. Dr. McClure's class is studying the Book of Hebrews, while the gymnasium class under the direction of Mr. Oscar Keller is making a study of the "Manhood of the Masters." Mr. Odis B. Hinnant is in charge of the Teachers' training class.

Colds Cause Headache and Grip

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box. 25c.

UNDATED LETTER TELLS OF SUICIDAL DESIGNS

"Tonight Ends This Life With Me," Wrote C. L. Benton.

Man Believed to be Former Resident of Chadbourn Writes to The Star That He Plans Taking Own Life to End Troubles.

An undated letter, signed by C. L. Benton, believed to be a former chief of police at Chadbourn, and later a merchant and immigration agent at Wadesboro, stating that the writer intended to commit suicide on the night the letter was written, in order to end his troubles, was received at The Star office yesterday afternoon.

The post mark, with the exception of the date line, which read "... P. M., Jan. 7, 1917." and the mark "Trans. Clk." was unintelligibe. The hour that is stamped on the envelope, although very dimly impressed on the paper, is apparently "11."

Communiation with Chadbourn, where the writer stated his home was located, brought the information that a C. L. Benton formerly lived there and had at one time been chief of police there, but had left last summer, going to Charlotte. A later report from Chadbourn said he was now at Wadesboro. A telegram from Wadesboro late last night confirmed the fact that C. L. Benton had been a resident of that place, but stated that he left there Sunday morning, with the announcement that he was going "down the road a piece." Nothing had been heard from him up to midnight last night.

The letter said the author was suffering from "awful trouble" that was becoming unendurable. It was written in disjointed sentences as if the writer ws suffering from some severe mental strain. He asked that the letter be published in The Star, and added that he would be dead before the paper was printed.

Chief of Police J. C. Martin, of Chadbourn, in a long distance telephone communication with The Star, stated that the Benton who lived there had a wife who was an inmate of the State hospital at Raleigh, a daughter who is teaching school somewhere in Columbus county, and a son whose whereabouts was unknown. He said that Benton seemed to worry greatly over his troubles.

The Wadesboro communication from The Star's correspondent confirmed this story, with the exception that it gave the son's residence as Badin, and mentioned a brother at Lilesville.

The letter received by The Star was in part as follows:

"Will you please publish this for me I will not be here to read it. Tonight will end this life with me It is trouble that is killing me, my hart is broken on account of the trouble I am a good citerson of Columbus County, Chadbourn, N. C. and if my Dost dont fail tonight I will be a dead man in the morning. "sincerely yours

"C. L. Benton

"the victom."

Then follows three closely written pages of note paper in which he states among other things "that love wellds a magic sovereign absolute and tyrannical power over both the body and mind." He then complains of some trouble that is "killing" him, and says that if he could call back one year that it would never have happened.

The telegram from The Star's Wadesboro correspondent last night says:

"C. L. Benton came here last summer, selling books, and later returned here and acted as immigration agent for the Southern Aluminum Company at Badin.

"Later he opened a small mercantile place on the outskirts of the town and has been thus employed up to yesterday.

"Mr. Abel Dees, with whom he boarded states that he has been worried over financial affairs for some time and that he left here yesterday morning on the Wilmington train, saying he was going 'down the road a piece.'

"Mr. Hunnicut, who lives next door to the store in which Benton has conducted a business, says he came here highly recommended, that he acted as chief of police in Chadbourn for five years. He has a wife who is an inmate of an asylum, a son now employed at Badin and a daughter teaching at Chadbourn, and a brother living at Lilesville.

"Benton is about 48 years of age. An officer of Wadesboro made a search of the town and is on the lookout upon arrival of trains. If he is apprehended he will be placed under arrest to prevent him carrying out his threat. Further information is that Benton suffers from a stomach trouble and has expressed himself as preferring death to the attacks he suffers. When he left here he had something over $60 on his person."

STEWARDS ELECT OFFICERS.

Officers for Grace Methodist Church Elected at Meeting Last Night.

The board of stewards of Grace Methodist church met last night for the purpose of organizing for the new year. Officers were elected as follows: Chairman, Mr. W. E. Perdew; vice-chairman, Mr. T. W. Cooper; secretary, Mr. A. C. Craft; treasurer, Mr. R. C. Merritt; assistant treasurers, Messrs. A. H. Shepherd and J. L. Cromartie.

TO MOTHERS OF BOYS

Too much attention cannot be called to the meeting at Hemenway school at 4 p. m. today to hear Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, City Boys Secretary, discuss "Some spiritual Phases of Adolescence" Those who have heard him before know how much his talks bring to them in handling their boys, and they will go. However, there are still many mothers who, in spite of their love for their sons, have neglected to discharge this part of their parental obligation—that of being informed.

Wilmington is fortunate in having such an expert student of boy life, and its citizens should avail themselves of the privilege while it lasts. Why not do a friendly good turn and 'phone your friends to go? They will hear a splendid heart talk, and it may save broken heart strings in the days to come.

A FRIEND OF YOUR BOY.

THE 64TH ANNUAL MEETING

Lot Owners of Oakdale Cemetery Re-Elect Officers and Directors, Many Improvements Made.

The 64th annual meeting of the lot owners of Oakdale cemetery was held in the company offices in the Odd Fellows' building last night. The old board of directors and the officers of the association were re-elected for the ensuing year. Col. Walker Taylor acted as chairman of the meeting and Mr. W. H. Howell as secretary.

President Wm. E. Springer made a verbal report in which he told of the present splendid condition of the cemetery. During the past year a complete waterworks system has been installed which has proven of great assistance in beautifying the premises. President Springer suggested other improvements of the grounds which the lot owners recommended be carried out.

The report of the board of trustees which is composed of Messrs. Clayton Giles, Sr., James Sprunt and Jas. A. Springer, was also submitted and also reports were made by the secretary and the superintendent.

Mr. Wm. E. Springer, who has served as the very capable president of the association for a number of years, was re-elected as president. The old board of directors composed of Messrs. W. H. Yopp, H. L. Fennell, M. W. Divine, D. C. Love, J. T. King and Col. Walker Taylor, was re-elected also.

Following the adjournment of the meeting of the lot owners, the board of directors met and re-elected Mr. R. J. Jones as treasurer; Mr. W. H. Howell as secretary and Mr. James A. Perry as superintendent.

ANNOUNCE THE DATES FOR INSTITUTE WORK.

Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon Will Have Charge of Women's Meetings.

As stated in yesterday's Star, Mr. T. B. Parker, director of Farmers' Institutes in North Carolina, has announced that an institute will be held at Wrightsboro in New Hanover county on January 30th. These institutes which will be held in all sections of the State will be conducted for the first time in connection with the North Carolina Extension Service. Mr. Parker and the extension workers will co-operate to increase the efficiency of the institutes. Mrs. Jane McKimmon, State agent of Home Demonstration work, has been made assistant director of the institutes and will have charge of the owmen's meetings.

The places and dates for the institutes in Eastern counties are as follows:

Bladen county—February 8 and 9 at Elizabethtown.

Brunswick county—January 31, Winnabow; February 1, Mount Pisgah; February 2, Exum.

Columbus county—February 3, Old Dock; February 5, Hallsboro; February 6, Tabor; February 7, Chadbourn.

Cumberland county—January 19, King Hiram; January 22, Eastover.

Duplin county—February 12, Concord school house; February 14, Calypso.

Edgecombe county—January 20, Speed; January 24, Dixie school house.

Harnett county—January 17, Cape Fear school house.

Johnston county—January 17, Kenly; February 15, Pleasant Hill.

Jones county—February 6, Pollocksville; February 7, Maysville.

Lenoir county—February 10, Sharon; February 12, Moss Hill.

Pitt county—January 25, Stokes; February 1, Farmville; February 2, Greenville.

Robeson county—January 18, Lumber Bridge; January 20, St. Pauls.

Sampson county—January 23, Hayne school house; January 24, Piney Green; January 25, Garland; January 26, Harrell's Store; February 13, Beulah.

Tyrrell county—January 22, Columbia.

Washington county—January 23, Cherry; January 27, Roper.

Wayne county—February 14, Hooks school house; February 15, Rosewood school house.

Wilson county—January 18, Rock Rige; January 30, Elm City; January 31, Saratoga.

Martin county—January 26, Williamston; January 27, Robersonville.

Nash county—January 19, Stanhope school house; January 29, Red Oak school house.

New Hanover county—January 30, Wrightsboro.

Northampton county—January 23, Rich Square; February 3, Seaboard.

Onslow county—February 8, Harris Creek school house; February 9, Richlands.

Pamlico county—January 31, Bayboro; February 1, Oriental.

Pasquotank county—January 19, Salem.

Pender county—January 27, Atkinson; January 29, Scott's Hill; February 11, Burgaw.

Perquimans county—January 20, Whitestone school house.

WANT EIGHT HOUR LAW

Local Trades Council Wire Their Approval to Mr. Grapt

At their regular meeting last night, the Wilmington Trades Council by a unanimous vote expressed their approval of the proposed eight hour law, for railroad clerks employed in New Hanover county, which has been introduced in the Legislature by Representative L. Clayton Grant. The Council further instructed the secretary, Mr. R. Pollock to wire Mr. Grant their decision.

The telegram is as follows:

"By unanimous vote of the Wilmington Trades Council, I was instructed to inform you that we approve of the eight-hour law, and urge you to support same."

"Respectively

"R. POLLOCK,

"Secretary."

ELECT OFFICERS TODAY.

Annual Meeting of the Rotary Club Will be Held at the Y. M. C. A.

Officers of the Rotary Club for the ensuing year will be elected today when the annual meeting is held. The meeting, which will be held at the Y. M. C. A. at 1 o'clock, will be featured by a luncheon and the postals sent out by Secretary Meares Harriss urge a full attendance of the membership.

GOWANS

Positively Relieves Colds, Croup, Pneumonia

25c, 50c, $1.00 AT DRUGGISTS

SAFEGUARDING HEIRS

Practically every individual who owns property has some particular plans in mind for its final disposition.

Two things are necessary to insure their fulfilment—a will indicating your wishes, and the appointment of an executor fully competent to carry out its terms.

Our officers make no charge for writing wills in which this institution is named as executor.

We invite you to call.

OLD AND STRONG

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

COR. FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

NOTICE!

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

Will be Held at the Company's Offices, 110 Princess Street, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at 11 o'Clock, A. M., Wednesday, January 10th.

J. L. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

WILMINGTON TO HAVE CHAPTER IN "SEAPORT TOWNS OF SOUTH"

Mr. A. G. Cram and Miss M. R. Cram Are in City Gathering Data.

Mr. A. G. Cram and sister, Miss M. R. Cram, of New York, are in the city for a few days, gathering data and photographs of Wilmington and vicinity to be used in "Old Seaport Towns of the South," one of a series of books being published by Dodd-Mead & Co., of New York.

The territory embraced in this volume will cover all the more important ports between Baltimore and Galveston When completed parts of it will appear in serial form in Harper's, Scribner's and Collier's Magazines. Miss Cram gathers the text matter for the book while her brother is the photographer.

In addition to the "local color" and the habits and customs of its people, the chapter on Wilmington will be devoted to its modern tendency toward growth and development; its advance and progress during the last twenty years, and especially its facilities for shipping, both for import and export.

Dodd-Mead & Co., have already issued two volumes along this line, the first of these being "Old Seaport Towns of New England," and "The Old Dominion." The latter was written by Louise Closser Hale, and illustrated by her husband, the noted artist, Walter Hale.

The third number will pay particular attention to the seaports south of Norfolk and beginning with Wilmington. While Baltimore and the Virginia ports will be touched on, they will not be covered as thoroughly as the more southerly ports, as they have already been written up innumerable times.

While in Wilmington Mr. and Miss Cram will also visit Southport and the coast defenses at Fort Caswell. They came to Wilmington from Norfolk early yesterday morning and will go from here to Charleston, later coming back to Georgetown.

ASK FOR and GET HORLICK'S THE ORIGINAL MALTED MILK

Cheap substitutes cost YOU same price.

MINISTERS HOLD MEETING.

Regular Weekly Session Held Yesterday Morning at Y. M. C. A.

The Ministerial Association held its regular weekly meeting in the Y. M. C. A. building yesterday morning. Rev. W. M. Baker presided and Mr. J. B. Huntington acted as secretary. There were no business matters to be considered so the meeting was given over to the reading of papers. Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton read an interesting paper on "Why I Believe in the Historic Episcopacy", and Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells read one on "Why I Do Not Believe in the Historic Episcopacy."

The Mother's Club of the Boys' Work Extension committee of the Y. M. C. A. will meet at the Hemenway school at 4 o'clock this afternoon to hear a lecture by Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, on "Religious Traits of Adolescence." All mothers of the city are invited to attend.

Hurrah! How's This

Cincinnati authority says corns dry up and lift out with fingers.

Hospital records show that every time you cut a corn you invite lockjaw or blood poison, which is needless, says a Cincinnati authority, who tells you that a quarter ounce of a drug called freezone can be obtained at little cost from the drug store but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callous.

You simply apply a few drops of freezone on a tender, aching corn and soreness is instantly relieved. Shortly the entire corn can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.

This drug is sticky, but dries at once and is claimed to just shrivel up any corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin.

If your wife wears high heels she will be glad to know of this.

CLEAN UP WEEK

We Have Just Finished Our Annual Inventory and Find Several Odd Lots of Seasonable Merchandise in Almost Every Department That We Wish to Close Out and During This Entire Week We Will Feature Odds and Ends. The Prices Will be Ridiculously Low. Come In and See if There Isn't a Few You Want.

Ladies' Ready Trimmed Hats at 48c

Just a few, to close out; both felt and velvet shapes, carried over from last season; values up to $5.00; now priced 48c.

Children's Underwear at 15c

Knit shirts and drawers; 25 and 35c. values; only one or two garments of a kind; now 25c.

Ladies' Underwear at 25c

Ladies' vests and pants; both cotton and wool; slightly soiled; values up to 75c; now 25c.

Ladies' Suits Half Price

We've only 24 suits left. They are all the season's best styles and well assorted in size and colors; ranged in price from $7.95 to $50.00. Now prices Half Off regular price.

Ladies' and Children's Serge Dresses at $1.95

This is a little lot carried over from last season, and the qualities are excellent; values up to $7.50; priced now at $1.95.

Baby Caps at 10c

Values 25c and 50c; both winter and summer weights; carried over; some are slightly soiled; priced to close, at 10c.

Men's Dress Shirts at 48c

Values from 65c to $1.00. Some are slightly soiled and some are off styles; all sizes; price to close, at 48c.

Men's Underwears at 29c

Ribbed shirts and drawers; only a few sizes; values 35 to 65c.; now priced at 29c.

Boys' Cloth Hats at 39c

This season's best styles, in all colors and sizes; cloth or leatherette crown; all 50c values; now 39c.

Long Silk and Lisle Gloves at 39c

Worth $1.00 and $1.50 pair; quite an assortment of light shades; priced to close, at 39c.

Children's Hose at 19c

25c Cadet Hose; black only, and just the small and medium sizes; priced 19c.

Ladies' House Dresses at 69c

Blue and gray striped gingham dresses; elbow sleeves; round collar; all sizes, at 69c.

Ladies' Sweaters at $1.39

$5.00 values in white only; small and medium sizes; Byron collars; priced at $1.39.

BELK-WILLIAMS COMP'Y

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Armand deR. Harriss have moved to Wilmington from New York.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wooten and child are visiting Mr. Wooten's mother in Greensboro.

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Miss Edelweiss King has returned to the Greensboro College for Women to resume her studies.

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Miss Carrie Hedgepeth, who has been visiting Miss Nannie Johnston, has returned to her home in Durham.

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The Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters will meet this morning at 11 o'clock at No. 121 South Fifth avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Turner, of Wake Forest, who have been visiting here, have gone to Rocky Point to visit relatives.

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The Lydia Yates Bible class of Grace Methodist church will meet tonight with Mrs. M. H. Thompson, No. 318 North Seventh street.

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The Whatsoever Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons will meet at the First Baptist church at 4 o'clock this afternoon to elect officers.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Fennell are spending several days in Raleigh. While in the capital city Mr. Fennell will attend a meeting of the Overland automobile dealers.

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The Wilmington Chapter of the National Special Aid Society will meet at 3:15 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the club rooms on Market street. A full attendance is desired.

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The Bethany Girls' Bible class of the Sunday school of Bethany Presbyterian church will have an ice cream supper at Lineker Memorial building on the Castle Haynes road. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon in the church parlor. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

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The Ladies Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors. All the ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

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A wedding of much interest in local society circles will be solemnized in Atlanta, Ga., on Thursday, January 25, when Miss Marguerite Gause becomes the bride of Mr. Daniel Preston Dozier, of Detroit. Miss Barbara Dozier, of Wilmington, a sister of the groom, will be a bridesmaid, and Mr. Thomas B. Willard, of Wilmington, will be best man.

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WILMINGTON MAN CLAIMS BRIDE IN SMETHPORT, PENNSYLVANIA

The following from a Smethport, Pennsylvania paper will be of much interest to the Wilmington friends of Mr. Leonard E. Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are now at home at No. 18 Wrightsville avenue. Says the account of the wedding:

"The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Gleason was the occasion of a very pretty wedding on Thursday, December 28th, when their daughter, Mildred J., became the bride of Mr. Leonard E. Allen of Wilmington, N. C.

"The house was very prettily decorated throughout with Southern smilax and holly. Promptly at noon, Mrs. Howard F. Brownell took her place at the piano, and, to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March, the bridal party entered the parlor, where the ceremony was performed by Rev. James S. Fleming of the Methodist Episcopal church, before a beautiful arch of holly and Southern pine. The bride was preceded by her maid of honor, Miss Marjorie Gleason, and was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Charles Henry Gleason. The groom was attended by Mr. Elbie C. Ray of Indiana, Pa.

"Following congratulations, a delicious buffet lunch was served in the dining room by the Misses Helen Gleason and Helen Bouton.

"The bride was attractively gowned in white cream meteor trimmed with silver lace. She wore a net veil and carried white bride's roses. The maid of honor wore taupe crepe meteor and carried a bouquet of holly and smilax.

"The bride is a charming and accom. B., R. & P. for a brief visit to Buffalo and on Tuesday evening started for Wilmington, where they willl be at home at Carolina Place after February 1st.

"The bride is a charming and accemplished young woman, a graduate of the Smethport high school and of Temple institute at Philadelphia and has taught domestic science in Wilmington N. C., and Hickory, Pa. She has a large circle of friends in Smethport, whose best wishes go with her to her new home. The groom is a pleasant young man, who has made a very favorable impression during his visit here. He holds a responsible position with the Chadbourn Lumber Co. in Wilmington.

"The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts, including silver, linen, cut glass, china and furniture.

"Those in attendance at the wedding from out of town were: Mrs. E. S. Churchill, Springville, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. George McGowan and daughter Eleanor Jane, and Mr. Elbie C. Ray, Indiana, Pa., Miss Lillian Fletcher, Wilmington, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Herzog, New Haven. Conn.; and Mr. Elton Skilton, Morris, Conn.

"On Tuesday evening, December 26th the members of Miss Carrie A. Day's Sunday school class gave a variety shower for Miss Gleason, at which the out of town guests were: Mrs. George McGowan, Indiana, Pa.; Mrs. Ralph W. Herzog, New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. Charles Broadbent, Haddonfield, N. J.; and Miss Helen Lindsay, Wellsboro, Pa.

"On Wednesday, December 27th, the Misses Katharine Mayo and Vera Freeman gave a luncheon in Miss Gleason's honor at the home of the former. Covers were laid for fourteen. The out of town guests were Mrs. Geo. McGowan, Indiana, Pa.; Mrs. Ralph W. Herzog, New Haven, Conn.; and Miss Lillian Fletcher, Wilmington, N. C."

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MR. J. MOSELEY CHESNUTT TO WED MISS EUNICE PARKER.

Fayetteville, N. C., Jn. 8.—The engagement of Miss Eunice Parker, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher Parker, of this city, and Mr. J. Moseley Chesnutt, of Clinton, was announced at a pretty announcement party given at 8:30 o'clock this evening by Miss Mary Hubbard at the Hubbard home on Madison Lane. The wedding will be on February 28th.

Miss Hubbard's house decorations were entirely of blue birds. A contest, "The Birthday of the Flowers," was spiritedly entered into by the guests, after which beribboned cards carrying the fortunes of the recipients were distributed, the guests choosing them according to the colors of the ribbons. When a salad course was served dainty blue bird place cards bore on the reverse side the announcement of Miss Parker's and Mr. Chesnutt's engagement in the following verse:

"This is the message
The blue birds bring,
There'll surely be a
Wedding before the spring.
"J. M. C.—E. K. P.
"February 28, 1917."

Miss Hubbard's guests were Miss Dorothy Mitchell, of Bennettsville, S. C., who was the honoree; Miss Parker, Miss Hattie Owen, Miss Cyrette Holliday, of Clinton; Miss Elsie Upton, Mrs. J. C. Cooper, Mrs. R. L. Pittman, Miss Annie Highsmith, Miss Nell Davis, Miss Ruth Sedberry, Miss May Sedberry and Miss Sudie Hubbard.

Miss Parker is a general favorite, being pretty, gracious and cultured. There will be much regret at her leaving Fayetteville. Mr. Chesnutt, is a prominent young man of Clinton.

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BRILLIANT RECEPTION IN HONOR OF KINSTON BRIDE AND GROOM

Kinston, N. C., Jan. 8.—State-wide in its interest and brilliant in every way, a reception given a few nights ago by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Felix Harvey in honor of their son, Charles Felix Harvey, Jr., and his bride, was the most important social event of the local season, perhaps. The stately Harvey home, Vernon hall, magnificent in its natural setting, was on this occasion touched by the genius of an artist into a scene of rare beauty. In the imposing old colonial hall, with its grand stairway banked high with palms, ferns and flaming poinsettas, and lighted by a myriad of candles into a picture rfyal in its charm and beauty, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Griffith and Dr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Parrott received and greeted the incoming guests. They were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Green and Dr. and Mrs. Dan Parrott. The guests were presented to the receiving line by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor.

Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Jr., in the rose drawing room were Mr. Leo Heartt Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gill, of Danville, Va., parents of the bride; Maj. Leo D. Heartt, of Raleigh, and Mrs. Claypool, of New Bern; Mr. Charles Harvey and Mrs. Joseph Graham, of Durham; Mrs. T. D. Warren, Mrs. Chas. Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hyman, of New Bern, and Mr. and Mrs. Chaster A. Walsh, who were wedded at Thanksgiving. The shaded lights falling in a soft rose-colored glow from above, drew out the beautiful color harmony of the exquisite gowns in the receiving line, and made a picture of the room long to be remembered, with its background of brides roses massed in a setting of trailing fern and the delicate green of palms.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at the "Y" building tomorrow evening.

—The tug Security left the port of Wilmington yesterday for Baton Rouge, La., towing Standard Oil Company barge No. 58, light.

—The police received a report yesterday morning to the effect that the residence of Pansy Brown, colored, No. 800 Brunswick street, had been entered during the night, and $1 in money and a 32-calibre "owl head" revolver carried away. No clues were found when the officers investigated.

—Monarch S. L. Boyd wishes to remind members of Sepa Grotto that it will be necessary to have tickets to attend the vaudeville attraction at the Royal theatre on Thursday evening. It is expected that several hundred Prophets with their wives and lady friends will attend the attraction at the theatre.

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BANK HAD SPLENDID YEAR

Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Home Savings Bank Held Yesterday—Officers Elected.

An addition of approximately 1,000 savings accounts and an increase of $75,000 in deposits for the past year were interested features of the reports of the officers of the Home Savings Bank to the stockholders at the annual meeting yesterday afternoon. While the bank has had a prosperous year, it was decided not to issue a dividend but to add the profits to the surplus.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., acted as chairman of the meeting of stockholders which was held at 4 o'clock in the bank building, corner Front and Chestnut streets. There were 300 shares represented in person and 298 by proxy. Mr. J. F. Roache was elected as secretary.

The old board of directors was re-elected as follows: Messrs. J. W. Yates, J. W. Little, E. T. Taylor, C. Van Leuven, L. W. Moore, B. A. Merritt, W. E. Perdew, T. L. Vines, J. W. H. Fuchs, C. McD. Davis, A. J. Moore, Jr., Robert Scott, S. M. Boatwright, J. F. Roache J. Haughton James and Dr. A. H Harriss.

Following the meeting of the stockholders, the directors met and re-elected the officers of the institution as follows: President, Mr. J. W. Yates; vice president, Mr. J. W. Little; cashier, Mr. J. F. Roache; assistant cashier, Mr. Robert Strange.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OPPOSED TO PROPOSED EIGHT-HOUR LAW

After Meeting, Representative Grant is Wired to That Effect.

The legislative committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday morning wired Representative L. Clayton Grant that it was opposed to any legislation having for its purpose the enactment of an eight-hour law for railroad clerks employed in New Hanover county.

After a meeting held in the Chamber, the committee decided that such an act was against "the economic interests of the city and its inhabitants," and instructed Secretary H. B. Branch to wire Mr. Grant to that effect, which was done. The legislative committee of the chamber is composed of Col. Walker Taylor, Mr. W. A. McGirt, Mr. A. B. Croom, Jr., Mr. W. B. Cooper, and Hon. George Rountree. The telegram is as follows:

"January 8th, 1917.
"Hon. L. Clayton Grant, House of Representatives, Raleigh, N. C.

"I am directed by the legislative committee of the Chamber of Commerce to send you the following telegram: 'Resolved, That it is the sense of the legislative committee of the Chamber of Commerce that the bill introduced by our representative providing that no railroad clerk in the city of Wilmington shall work longer than eight hours is detrimental to the economic interests of the city of Wilmington and its inhabitants, and especially injurious to the best interests of the clerks themselves and our Representative is urgently requested to withdraw the bill.'

(Signed) H. B. BRANCH, Secy.
"Wilmington Chamber of Commerce."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Major A. E. Waldron has returned from Baltimore, where he attended a conference of government engineers.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: H. F. Walter, Warsaw; James B. McGurley, Ft. Caswell.

—Mr. John M. Matners, formerly of this city, now health officer of Goldsboro, was a Wilmington visitors yesterday.

—Mr. Carl Gunnerson left yesterday afternoon to take a position with the Clyde Line Steamship Company on the steamer Chippewa.

—Mr. J. W. Freeman, of Chesnutt & Freeman, is in Boston and other New England markets purchasing stock for their wholesale shoe business in this city.

—The friends of Mr. J. G. Carney will regret to learn that it was necessary for him to undergo an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital yesterday. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: T. Stanley, Charlotte; O. L. Clark, Clarkton; Edwin B. Josey, Tarboro; W. P. Whitaker, Wilson; Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro; J. T. John John's; E. C. McGinnis, Raleigh; J. Southerland, Goldsboro.

A CARD.

The communications which have recently been addressed to me and signed "Jones" will receive answer if parties will furnish street address.

GEO. H. HUTAFF.

ADDRESS BY DR. MILTON

Will Speak at Annual Meeting of Y. W. C. A. at 8 O'Clock Tonight. All Friends Are Invited

Rev. Dr. William H. Milton, rector of St. James Episcopal church, will deliver the address before the Young Women's Christian Association in the gymnasium of the association building at 8 o'clock this evening on the occasion of the annual meeting of the organization. New directors will be elected and the annual reports read. Both men and women are invited to attend. There will be several musical selections including a solo by Mrs. Longfellow and Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will lead in prayer.

Another interesting feature of the meeting tonight will be an exhibition by the gymnasium team of the association. The reports that will be read will show the association to be in a flourishing condition and will give evidence of a year of great activity in all departments of the work. The programme has been so arranged that the meeting will be of interest to all friend of the association, both men and women, and all are urged to attend.

The Finance committee, of which Mrs. J. V. Grainger is chairman, will meet at 11 o'clock this morning at the association building at which time the finances of the organization will discussed and arranged.

THE SPEAKERS' CLUB.

First Meeting of the Year Held at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

The Speakers' Club of the Y. M. C. A. held its first meeting for the year last night. A new constitution and by-laws was adopted, providing for the election of officers the latter part of January. Other matters were discussed and a very interesting session held. It was decided to have a banquet at an early date.

The club will have a debate next Monday night. The question will be: "Resolved, That the United States should intervene in Mexico to establish a stable government." The affirmative will be represented by Messrs. E. H. Bellamy and E. M. Kennickell, and the negative by Messrs. L. R. Hummell and H. C. Symmes.

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To Our Customers:

We wish to announce we have recently bought the right to sell SERV-US merchandise in North and South Carolina.

SERV-US goods can be had in anything that you carry in the grocery line. We have purchased quite a quantity of several different items in this line, and will have them ready for the market on about Feb. 1st. The quality is positively the best; each package carries a valuable coupon.

We are preparing circulars, and will be glad to furnish you a supply for distribution among your customers.

Ask our salesmen for other information.

We wish to thank you for the business with which you have kindly favored us during 1916, and to express our wishes that the coming year will be a very prosperous one for you.

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FINAL ACTION POSTPONED

Hearing on Eight-Hour Bill Held in Raleigh Yesterday—Petition Opposing It Circulated

Final action on favorable or unfavorable report on Representative L. Clayton Grant's bills providing for eight-hour day for the clerks in railroad offices in New Hanover county and for semi-monthly pay rolls was postponed by the committee of the House of Representatives in Raleigh after hearings yesterday and last night according to a dispatch to The Star.

It was represented to the committee, said the dispatch, that fully 95 per cent. of the employes involved oppose the bill. A petition opposing the bills was circulated in the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday and are said to have been extensively signed by the clerks.

The legislative committee of the Chamber of Commerce met yesterday morning and sent a telegram to Representative Grant urging him not to pass the bills because it was not to "economic disadvantage of Wilmington."

The Wilmington Trades Council at its regular weekly meeting last night unanimously endorsed the bill and sent a telegram to Representative Grant to that effect.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW FIRMNESS IN COTTON

Prices Make New High Records for The Movement—Close at Net Advance of 1 to 28 Points

New York, Jan. 8.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness today with prices making new high ground for the movement. An early advance was followed by reactions with May selling off from 18.81 to 18.62 but that delivery touched 18.90 in the late trading and closed at 18.88. New crop months were comparatively quiet and relatively easy, with the general list closing very steady at a net advance of 1 to 28 points.

The market opened steady at an advance of 11 to 15 points and sold 15 to 21 points net higher during the early trading, but the advance appeared to attract a good deal of realizing and local selling for a reaction. Prices turned easier, working back to within two or three points of last Saturday closing figures, before midday but offerings then diminished and the market firmed up again during the afternoon. Spot house brokers were buyers and there was pretty active covering by old crop shorts in the late trading which carried prices to the best point of the day. March sold at 18.63 and July at 18.93 and closing prices were about 26 to 28 points net higher on the active old crop positions. May at 18.90, showed a net gain of $1.50 per bale late in the afternoon.

	Open	High	Low	Close
January..	...18.25	18.43	18.17	1842
March	18.45	18.63	18.38	18.61
May	.18.72	18.90	18.62	18.88
July.	.18.78	18.93	18.67	18.90
October.	.17.53	17.53	17.31	17.42

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 18.55; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Holiday; receipts, 3,738; exports, 600; stock, 488,798.

Galveston—Middling, 18.50; receipts, 22,492; exports, 26,959; sales, 1,850; stock, 357,743.

Mobile—Middling, 17.50; receipts, 58; stock, 19,974.

Savannah — Middling, 18¼; receipts, 58; stock, 19,974.

Savannah—18 ; receipts, 1,592; exports, 4,926; stock, 195,174.

Charleston—Middling, 18.00; receipts, 99; stock, 62,890.

Wilmington — Middling, 18.00; receipts, 32; stock, 32,701.

Texas City—Stock, 26,268.

Norfolk—Middling, 18.25; receipts, 1,858; exports, 4,363; stock, 110,455.

Baltimore — Middling, 18.25; stock, 8,776.

Boston—Receipts, 190; stock, 14,107.

Philadelphia—Middling, 18.50; stock, 4,209.

New York—Middling, 18.55; receipts, 216; stock, 144,239.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 40; stock, 12,185.

Total today—Receipts, 19,315; exports, 26,843; sales, 1,850; stock, 1,481,519.

Total for week—Receipts, 45,054; exports, 46,933.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,089,544; exports, 3,287,717.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 18.40; receipts, 9,149; shipments, 10,554; sales, 3,546; stock, 245,262.

Memphis — Middling, 18.25; receipts, 4,712; shipments, 6,213; sales, 900; stock, 333,118.

Augusta — Middling, 18.25; receipts, 1,895; shipments, 1,705; stock, 31,375.

St. Louis—Receipts, 149; shipments, 555; stock, 22,169.

Cincinnati—Middling, 18.00; receipts, 610; shipments, 2,116; stock, 46,400.

Total today — Receipts, 16,333; shipments, 21,679; sales, 4,712; stock, 827,206.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 8. —Cotton, spot, firm. Good middling, 11.56; middling, 11.40; low middling, 11.24; sales, 8,00; 1,000 for speculation and export. Receipts, 7,000. Futures, steady: January, 11.07; January-February, 11.04; February-March, 11.06; March-April, 11.10; April-May, 11.11; May-June, 11.13; June-July, 11.12; July-August, 11.11; August-September, 10.84; September-October, 10.58; October-November, 10.43; November-December, 10.35; December-January, 10.29; January-February, 10.26.

COTTON SEED OIL.

New York, Jan. 8. — Short covering and good buying on the strength in lard made for higher prices in cotton seed oil. Some setback occurred under realizing, but final prices were 3 to 12 points net higher. Sales, 2,000 barrels. Closed firm. Prime summer yellow, 1.245; crude, 10.93; January, 12.30; March, 12.23; May, 12.29; July, 12.34.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 8. — Hogs—Weak, at 15 above Saturday's average. Bulk, 10.30@10.70; light, 9.90@10.60; mixed, 10.15@10.75; heavy, 10.25@10.80; rough, 10.25@10.40; pigs, 7.75@9.65.

Cattle — Steady. Native beef cattle, 7.50@11.80; western steers, 7.35@10.00; stockers, 5.35@8.40; cows and heifers, 4.30@10.00; calves, 9.00@13.25.

Sheep—Firm. Wethers, 9.25@10.50; ewes, 6.75@10.00; lambs, 11.50@13.85.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Jan. 8. — Beeves, steady. Steers, 7.50@10.50; bulls, 5.75@8.25; extra fed, 8.70; cows, 4.00@7.00.

Calves—Steady. Veals, 11.00@16.00; culls, 9.00@10.50; barn yard calves, 5.50@7.12½; fed calves, 7.50@10.00; yearlings, 5.00@6.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Firm. Sheep, 6.00@9.00; culls, 4.00@5.50; lambs, 12.00@14.50; culls, 9.50@11.50.

Hogs—Higher, at 10.80@11.00; pigs, 10.00@10.50; rough, 9.50@9.75.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Jan. 8. — Mercantile paper, 4. Sterling sixty day bills, 4.72; commercial sixty day bills on banks, 4.72; commercial sixty day bills, 4.71¾; demand, 4.75¾; cables, 4.76¼. Bar silver, 75¼. Mexican dollars, 58. Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, firm. Time loans, easier; sixty and ninety days, 3 @3*; six months, 3½@3¾.

New York, January 8. — Cotton goods were steady today, and yarns were in better inquiry. Raw silk was slightly higher with a firmer tendency. Dress goods were quiet. Men's wear was bought steadily for Fall.

WHEAT PRICES GO SKYWARD

No. 2 Red Winter Grain Reaches $2 a Bushel Cash, Highest Price Since Civil War.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—Highest prices for wheat since the American Civil War accompanied today's announcement of a big shrinkage in the domestic supply, while European food shortage appeared to be growing more acute. Number 2, red winter wheat, a standard contract grade, commanded $2.00 a bushel, spot cash, fulfilling at last prophecies that were treated with derision when trans-Atlantic hostilities first broke out.

After a notable display of activity as well as strength, the market closed unsettled at the same as Saturday's finish to 2⅞ higher, with May options 1.88⅛ to 1.88⅝ and July 1.53⅛ to 1.53½. Other leading staples all showed net gains, corn ½ to ¾; oats ¾ to 1 and provisions 10 to 12½ to 75.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.88½; July 1.53⅛.

Corn—May 99⅜; July 98⅝.

Oats—May 58½; July 55 1-2.

Pork—January 28.80; May 28.47.

Lard—January 15.70; May 16.17.

Ribs—January 14.60; May 15.07.

Cas grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.98½ to 2.00; No. 3 red 1.92 to 1.94 1-2; No. 2 hard 1.97¾ to 1.99½; No. 3 hard 1.95 to 1.97.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 97⅝ to 98; No. 4 yellow 95¾ to 98; No. 4 white 96½ to 97 1-2.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Chippewa, Maguire, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,388 tons, Holasch, Heide & Co.

Str Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—Nominal.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 55c.; rosin, $5.50 and $5.40; tar, $2.10-8½c.; crude turpentine, $2.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	(—)
Tar	15
Crude Turpentine	4

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, 16 barrels; tar, 44 barrels; crude turpentine, 9 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — 18c.; same day last year, 11¾c.

Receipts—32 bales; same day last year, 557 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 74,046.

Total receipts to same date last year, 136,743 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

January 8, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—32 bales cotton; 15 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—32 bales cotton; 15 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Total — 32 bales cotton; 15 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 8.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 65c. to 70c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, $ 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green, salt, 13c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 20c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 25c head.

EGGS—32c to 33c dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Jan. 8. — North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers' stock, fancy handpicked, $1.25; No. 1, machine, $1.20 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy handpicked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.30; Jumbos, $1.25 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 8. — Spanish — Farmers' stock—Market, steady, $1.30 per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. to 4 1-2c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¾c. to 4c. per lb.; Prime, 3½c. to 3¾c.; Shelling stock, 3c. to 3½c.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Jan. 8. — Turpentine, firm, 53½; sales, 169; receipts, 130; shipments, 121; stock, 23,275.

Rosin — Firm. Sales, 612; receipts, 913; shipments, 1,737; stock, 90,780. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, 6.25@6.27½; F, G, 6.27½; H, 6.30; I, 6.35; K, 6.62*; M, 6.70; N, 7.02½; W G, 7.10; W W, 7.30.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Jan. 8. — Raw sugar, firm; centrifugal, 5.39; molasses, 4.52; refined, steady.

Coffee—Spot, steady; Rio, No. 7, 10; Santos, No. 4, 11.

DULLNESS IN STOCK MARKET

Dealings Yesterday Amounted to Smallest Total of Any Full Session for Many Weeks

New York, Jan. 8.—The main feature of today's stock market was its consistent dullness, dealings amounting to the smallest total of any full session for many week. Virtually all the trading emanted from professional sources, and so far as was indicated by the movement of prices, that faction was more or less at sea.

There was considerable discussion respecting business conditions and the note of caution ounded by the chief executive of the United States Steel Corporation was reflected in the un certain trend of unusual stock. The investigation now proceeding now in Washington attracked little attention. From its firm opening, the list soon began to drop and by the end of the first hour most leaders, including the United States Steel were down 1 to 2 points. These losses were irregularly extended later particularly in volatile specialties such as General Motors which registered an extreme decline of 13 3-4 points after announcement of the 1 per cent. dividend, recovering over half before the close.

Other heavy issues included Baldwin Locomotive, Cuban Cane Sugar, Texas, Company, Industrial Alcohol and Atlantic Gulf and West Indies. Metals also yielded on the reactionary trend of the copper market and leather and paper issues gave way on small transactions. More steadiness was shown in the lat hour, when steel made up all its loses and Atchison infused some strength to rails on its rise of 1 5-8 points. In the main, however, transportation shares were decidedly irregular with occasional heaviness in Canadian Pacific and New Haven. Among the dormant specialties, Woolworth was conspicuous for its gain of nine points and Pittsburg Coal aws active and strong.

Bonds offerings were light but more diversified. Total sales par value $4,325,000. United States bonds unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	26⅛
American Beet Sugar	95⅜
American Can	47¼
American Car and Foundry	66
American Cotton Oil	49½
American Locomotive	77
American Smelting	107⅝
American Sugar	109½
American Tel. and Tel	123½
American Tobacco	B.216
American Zinc	35⅞
Anaconda Copper	85½
Atchison	107⅜
Atlantic Coast Line	B.117½
Baldwin Locomotive	85¼
Baltimore and Ohio	84
Bethlehem Steel	485
Canadian Pacific	159⅞
Central Leather	93⅞
Chesapeake and Ohio	64⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	91½
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	33
Colorado Fuel and Iron	45½
Consolidated Gas	130½
Corn Products	22
Crucible Steel	63¼
Cuba Cane Sugar	51
Erie	33⅛
General Electric	167⅜
Great Northern, pfd	116⅝
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	36
Goodrich	58
Illinois Central	105¾
Inspiration Copper	57⅞
Int. Mer. Marine, pfd	84⅜
International Nickel	42
International Paper	44⅞
Kansas City Southern	25⅛
Kennecott Copper	44¼
Lehigh Valley	77½
Louisville and Nashville	B.132
Liggett and Meyers	B.275
Lorillard Co	B.222
Maxwell Motors	51⅜
Mexican Petroleum	102½
National Lead	B.59¾
New York Central	103
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	49¾
Norfolk and Western	133⅛
Northern Pacific, ex. div	108⅜
Pennsylvania	56⅞
Ray Consolidated Copper	36⅝
Reading	102
Rep. Iron and Steel	80¼
Seaboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	39
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	68
Studebaker Corporation	104½
Southern Pacific	97⅛
Southern Railway	31⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	68½
Tennessee Copper	14⅝
Texas Co	234
Union Pacific	144
United Fruit	150
United States Rubber	42½
United States Steel	112⅝
United States Steel, pfd	120
Utah Copper	101¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	42
Wabash, Pfd., "B"	29
Western Union	96
Westinghouse Electric	53¼
Mo. Pac., when issued	31⅛

HEALTH BOARD DOES NOT ELECT OFFICERS

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mington Grocery Co. 88.5; Atkinson & Watters, 86; Thomas Grocery Co., 85.5; Sanders, 85; People's Supply Co., 85; A. Steljes, 85; Rankin Grocery Co., 84; Shand's Grosery, 84; Royal Grocery No. 2, 82.5; C. H. Bornemann, 80; Royal Grocery No. 1, 79.5; Jurgen Haar, 79; E. S. Bannerman (Market street), 78; H. M. Tiencken, 74.5; John F. McKinnis, 71.2; L. Southerland, 70.5; Chas. E. Collins, 68.5; J. E. Marshburn, 68; E. E. Russ, 67.

Delicatessen—B. May, 81.

Dairy Lunch—The Center, 93.6.

Dr. Arnold Stovall, city and county physician, reported that during the month he made 63 calls to indigent in the city and 16 in the county. One case of scarlet fever, 32 cases of measles and two cases or whooping cough were reported as being in quarantine.

Mr. E. Piner, chief of the sanitary police, reported that 13,860 inspections were made by his department, 1,523 closets condemned and ordered cleaned while 1,566 closets were reported cleaned by Mr. Holton.

Mr. Otto Genaust, plumbing inspector, reported that 75 fixtures were installed during the month, 36 houses connected to sewer, 34 laterals laid, 33 permits issued and 24 inspections made with no condemnations.

Miss Christie Pinner, school and infant welfare nurse, visited 39 homes and 17 schools. Six infants are under care; 26 children were excluded from school on account of illness and 31 referred to family physician and five to county health officer.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 9, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 49 degrees; at 8 P. M., 50 degrees; maximum, 64 degrees; minimum, 49 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .49 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 10.2 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; moderate temperature

The Port Calendar, Jan. 9, 1917.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:20 P. M.
Day's length	10 hrs. 2 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	10:30	10:42	5:32	6:05
Southport	8:38	8:41	2:15	2:57
Masonboro Inlet.	8:17	8:30	1:55	2:37

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 8, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	clear	74	48	.0
Asheville	clear	54	34	.0
Atlanta	clear	82	42	.0
Augusta	clear	68	46	.0
Baltimore	clear	52	..	.0
Birmingham	clear	66	50	.0
Boston	cldy	44	30	.0
Charleston	clear	66	48	.0
Charlotte	clear	62	46	.0
Chicago	cldy	44	24	.0
Galveston	clear	70	60	.0
Jaxville	clear	70	52	.0
Memphis	clear	66	44	.0
Mobile	clear	68	46	.0
Montgomery	clear	66	38	.0
N. Orleans	clear	68	42	.0
New York	clear	44	28	.0
Oklahoma	clear	60	34	.0
Palestine	clear	74	50	.0
Pittsburg	clear	46	24	.0
Raleigh	clear	58	46	.0
Savannah	clear	70	48	.0
Shreveport	clear	70	48	.0
St. Louis	clear	58	34	.0
Washington	clear	52	34	.0

Raleigh Theatrical Man Dead

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 8.—Mr. C. Dennis Geart, well known and highly esteemed young man, died at Rex hospital last night after a brief illness. He had been connected with the management of the Academy of Music for a number of years. He was 40 years old and unmarried. The funeral will be held Tuesday.

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Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Jan. 8, 1917. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 8:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48 8:00 A. M Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 3:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 62 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager. T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

WEEK DAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	.....	6:15 A.M.	6:26 A.M.
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	7:20 A.M.	7:31 A.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	.....	7:40 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	8:01 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	.....	8:30 A.M.	8:41 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:26 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:10 P.M.	1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
1:55 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	.....	11:45 P.M.	1:50 P.M.	2:01 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	.....	3:25 P.M.	2:36 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	3:00 P.M.	3:11 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	3:50 P.M.
4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	.....	.....	4:30 P.M.
4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	5:10 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3,

SUNDAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "electric Center." for Winter Park	Leave "electric Center." for Wrightsville	Leave "electric Center." for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	17:05 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	7:26 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	19:05 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	1:45 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	2:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	2:45 P.M.	2:55 P.M.	3:06 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:15 P.M.	3:25 P.M.	3:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:00 P.M.	4:15 P.M.	4:25 P.M.	4:36 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:45 P.M.	4:55 P.M.	5:06 P.M.
5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:45 P.M.	5:55 P.M.	6:06 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	*6:40 P.M.	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	17:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

*Does not go beyond Station No. 3 on Beach. !Leaves from Station No. 3

FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

Leave Ninth and Orange Streets, 3:30 P. M.
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Steamship Chippewa, Mon., Jan. 8th
Steamship Chippewa, Fri., Jan. 19th

Wilmington to New York.

Steamship Chippewa, Thurs., Jan. 11th
Steamship Chippewa, Tues., Jan. 23rd

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM WILMINGTON:

No. 13—3:55 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

No. 19—8:00 A. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Open at 10:00 P. M. for Passengers.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:30 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

No. 20—12:10 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:00 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building. 'Phone 178.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY.

Office of the Treasurer,
Wilmington, N. C., December 30, 1916.

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has declared a dividend of three and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company, payable at the office of the Treasurer, Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1917, to such stockholders as shall be registered on the books of the Company on December 19th, 1916, at three o'clock P. M.

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LITHUANIA MAY BECOME INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC

War Has Stirred the Aspirations Of the Civilians

Martin Ychas, Member of the Russian Duma Where He Represents the City of Kovno, Outlines Plans To Associated Press.

(Correspondence of Associated Press).

London, Dec. 20.—Lithuania, a region on the Russo-German Baltic greater in extent and population than Sweden, has had her aspirations stirred by the war and is looking forward to emerging from it either as an independent republic patterned on American lines, or as an autonomous nation with its own parliament and home rule, subject to Russia's imperial authority only in matters of national defense.

This was the view outlined to the Associated Press by Martin Ychas, member of the Russian duma, where he represents the important Lithuanian city of Kovno, and occupies the post of secretary of the finance committee. Mr. Ychas is conferring here with the large Lithuanian colony, following similar visits just made in the United States.

"It should be understood," said Mr. Ychas, "that Lithuania is entirely distinct from Poland, although the public is in the habit of treating them as one. Poland is the great central region around Warsaw, whereas Lithuania and the eLtt country is the vast northern section along the Baltic, with the great ports of Riga, Libau and Windaw, and the cities of Vilna, Grodno, Kovno and Suwalki, aggregating eight million population, or more than any of the secondary kingdoms of Europe.

"Like Poland, Lithuania has her own hopes and aspirations," continued Mr. Ychas, "and with my colleagues in the duma we have already secured the acceptance in principle of complete political autonomy for Lithuania. This means home rule the same as Canada, with a Lithuanian parliament, and with a Lithuanian delegates in the imperial duman and a Lithuanian viceroy from the Czar. There are unofficial hopes going far beyond this, particularly among the Lithuanians in the United States. But officially we loow to autonomy as the first step to restoring Lithuania as a nationality. In the duma the controlling authority, the constitutional-democrats, or cadet party, has accepted in principle autonomy for Lithuania, and it was by cadet votes that I, as a Lithuanian, was elected secretary of the finance committee.

"In America, however, I found a strong movement for securing complete Lithuanian independence and setting up a Lithuanian-Lett republic. Our native press in America is very strong for independence. They look to the Entente Allies to secure this as one of the results of the war, holding that England entered the war in defense of small nationalities. These, however, are unofficial hopes for the future, and all than I can officially assume is that complete autonomy and home rule for Lithuania is an accepted principle of the ruling authroities in the duma. The imperial government has not yet spoken, pending invasion of Lithuania by Germany, but when normal conditions are restored the government will undoubtedly approve the autonomy already agreed to in principle by the dumas.

Mr. Ychas says Russia has considerably improved political conditions in Lithuania in recent years. Formerly the holding of lands by Lithuanians was prohibited; the press was prohibited; all Lithuanian books including the Bible were prohibited; holding office was prohibited. All this has been changed Mr. Ychas says and there was a fair degree of freedom under Russian rule up to the time of the German invasion. There were 14 Lithuanian representatives in the first and second dumas, and five in the third and fourth duma.

"It was during the old period of restricting that so many Lithuanians went to the United States," added Mr. Ychas, "reaching 30,000 a year from 1909 to the outbreak of the war, and aggregating 700,000 in large colonies throughout the United States—with 30 newspapers, and their own clubs, theatres and societies. But the Lithuanians in America are essentially Americans. They have found better social and economic conditions; they own their own homes, direct their own business, enjoy political liberty, and exercise a strong and wholesome influence in politics." Mr. Ychas showed his faith in American Lithuanians by marrying among them while on his recent trip, his wife being a daughter of Dr. Szlupas, of Scranton, Pa., one of the leading publicists of the Lithuanians. While in London Mme. Ychas has addressed large gatherings of Lithuanians.

LEGISLATIVE CLOCK TO BE TURNED BACK

(Continued From Page One).

creating the office of auditor for Robeson.

Bills offered in the afternoon session of the House included:

McRackin—Amend law as to Lake Waccamaw, Columbus county.

Grant, of New Hanover — Amend hapter 294 of 1905 Revisal.

Tatum—Amend graded school act for Mount Olive.

Bills passed included:

Amend Hyde drainage law; Waterworks and electric lights for Maxton, municipally owned; Auditor for Maxton; Amend local law of 1915 relating to Robeson county; Amend landlord and tenant act of 1905 as to Robeson; Recorder's court for Robeson.

Price, of Rockingham, introduced a bill to provide for the state to purchase school books for the public schools.

Delegations From Betsy City

Delegations here today from Elizabeth City procured the defeat through unfavorable committee reports of bills pending in the Legislature to abolish the Pasquotank Chain Gang system and highway commission.

Part of Rush Unneccessary

During the first three days of the present session of the Legislature there were just 446 bills and resolutions introduced, as many as were introduced during the first 19 days of the 1915 session, which probably held the record for all previous sessions. The rush this session, of course, is to get "emergency" bills through of the classes that will be barred from the Legislature by the constitutional amendments after January 10. However, the best informed of the legislative workers declare that nearly fifty per cent of the bills that are in are not really of the types that would have to get in ahead of the amendments, which are being interpreted now as not nearly so broad as was at first thought.

The fact is, these gentlemen say, the legislators and the public have been stampeded through fear that the legislation they wanted would be barred by the amendments and the flood of bills of all sorts is the result. It will mean a much clearer "legislative atmosphere" for the remainder of the session, they believe, and there will be time to scrutinize the bills passed the first ten days of the session in the rush and to correct or repeal any that slipped through undeservedly.

There were about 125 of these local bills on the Senate calendar this morning and about 40 on the House calendar. Probably a couple of hundred had been enrolled, or were being enrolled for ratification. Only two acts or resolutions were actually ratified last week. These are a resolution repealing the 1915 measure cutting down and limiting the number of pages and laborers that the legislative bodies may employ for the sessions, and a resolution providing for committee to wait on the Governor and inform him of the organization of the Legislature and readiness to receive his message.

HEARING DEVELOPS NO DEFINITE INFORMATION OF PEACE NOTE "LEAK"

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Representative Chiperfield and some of Lawson's other remarks were expunged from the record.

The examination then proceeded more quietly.

Tells Another Story.

Mr. Lawson frequently asked to be excused from answering questions, but not until he had told another story, at first hypothetically and then as a report related to him, to the effect that a member of the cabinet, a United States senator and a New York banker had a joint stock gambling account which was shared among them. He flatly refused, despite persistent efforts of the committee, to reveal these names, declaring, first, that he would not besmirch the names of men in high places at a preliminary inquiry, and, secondly, that he did not feel called upon at this stage of the inquiry to give information which would permit criminals to escape or information to be destroyed.

Mr. Lawson repeated his public assertions that Congress was "wallowing in the mire." of stock speculation, and declared that "members of Congress were wise dealers in stocks," but he did not accuse them of benefitting by advance information on official acts and persistently refused to make any personal charges or make public the name of any one, official or otherwise.

Clears White House.

He cleared the State Department and White House of any "leak" on the peace note, so far as his knowledge was concerned, but insisted that there had been a "leak"; that there had been advance information in Wall Street for years on Supreme Court decisions, President's messages and congressional matters which were used to the advantage of stock gamblers.

Regarding Supreme Court leaks, the witness, when questioned closely, stated that he meant to insinuate no irregularity against the justices themselves, stating that he had never heard of a Supreme Court justice talking about a decision in advance.

The committee issued subpoenas today for F. M. Lockwood, a New York broker, and Albert H. Curtis, former president of the National Bank of North America.

Who Wrote That Letter?

Representative Chiperfield had been informed that Albert H. Curtis was the man who wrote Representative Wood the letter regarding Bernard Baruch and Secretary Tumulty, but this Mr. Curtis has denied.

Present at the hearings today and waiting to testify were Otto Kahn, of Kuhn, Loeb & Company, of New York; Bernard Baruch, and newspaper men summoned in connection with the publication of the peace note. They will be called tomorrow.

SUPT. RIVENBARK MARRIED

New Hanover Man Weds Mrs. Savage of Rutherford County

(By Long Distance Telephone)

Lumberton, N. C., Jan. 8.—A quiet marriage was solemnized here tonight shortly before 11 o'clock at the Baptist parsonage, Mr. F. M. Rivenbark, superintendent of the county prison at Wilmington, and Mrs. Mabel Savage, of Rutherford county, N. C., being the contracting parties. Rev. C. L. Greaves, pastor of the First Baptist church, performed the ceremony and after the marriage they went to the Lorraine Hotel where they are stopping. The groom came up from Wilmington this evening and the bride came down from Charlotte on the night train, having met here by appointment. They expect to go to Wilmington on the morning train reaching there at noon. The bride formerly resided in New Hanover and had visited at the home of her brother, Mr. Rasberry, who was at one time superintendent of the county home near Wilmington .

HAS CONGRESS THE RIGHT TO REGULATE HOURS AND WAGES?

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workable, Mr. Davis said, "was a manifest after-thought induced by the necessities of this case".

To the charge that the law is experimental, he said public clamor would have followed had Congress attempted to fix an arbitrary eight-hour day scale in perpetuity without possibility of change under future changed conditions.

"It may be Congress did not please the railroads, the employees or the public", he continued, "but the body that made the law should amend it, and the judiciary must not usurp that function."

CONFEREES AGREE ON THE IMMIGRATION BILL

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the fact that President Wilson has let it be known that it will be the cause of another veto. Friends of the bill claimed tonight that they would be able to pass it over a veto.

WANTS NAVY YARDS TO CONSTRUCT CRUISERS

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CAPTAIN E. A. ANDERSON HAS ASSUMED NEW DUTIES

Takes Charge as Supervisor ofUnited States Naval Auxiliary Service.

The many friends of Capt. E. A. Anderson, U. S. N., who is a native of this city and has frequently visited here in recent years, will be interested in learning that he has assumed his new duties at Norfolk, Va., as supervisor of the United States auxiliary service. The following is from yesterday's Norfolk Virginian-Pilot:

"Capt. Edwin A. Anderson, U. S. N., will report today as supervisor of the United States naval auxiliary service, relieving Com. W. S. Whitted, U. S. N., retired. Commander Whitted has been acting supervisor since the detachment of Capt. A. T. Long, U. S. N., in October, and he will continue on duty as assistant supervisor.

"Captain Anderson comes here from the Naval War College, Newport, R. I. His last sea duty was in command of the battleship New Hampshire, which at that time had Norfolk as her home port.

"He is a native of North Carolina, and was appointed to the Naval Academy from that State June 28, 1878. He has been a captain since June 14, 1911.

"During the Spanish-American war he was advanced in rank for displaying extraordinary heroism in action. When Vera Cruz was seized by the United States naval forces in 1914, Captain Anderson, then commanding officer of the New Hampshire, was ordered on shore as commander of a regiment of bluejackets. His regiment took an active part in the subjugation of Vera Cruz. On that occasion he was mentioned in dispatches for extraordinary heroism in battle, and was awarded a medal of honor.

"Joseph N. Wheatley, Captain Anderson's secretary on board the New Hampshire and in Mexico, will be assigned to duty with him in Norfolk. Chief Clerk R. R. Quigley will continue on duty in the supervisor's office, and a civil service clerk will report shortly as an additional assistant."

SECRETARY OF SOUTHERN EXTENSION COMMITTEE HERE.

Mr. W. A. Taylor Will be at First and Immanuel Presbyterian Churches.

Field Secretary Wyatt A. Taylor, of the All-South Christian Endeavor Extension committee, arrived in the city last night from Clarkton, where he held meetings yesterday, and is the guest of the State officers here. As was announced in Sunday's Star, Mr. Taylor is here under the auspices of the Wilmington Christian Endeavor Union, in connection with the aggressive work which is being done in the 12 Southern states by this organization.

Mr. Taylor will conduct a Junior rally at the First Presbyterian church at 4 o'clock this afternoon, and all Juniors are invited to attend. An hour of pleasant instruction is promised all who take advantage of this opportunity.

At o'clock tonight at Immanuel church, Front and Queen streets, there will be a rally of all Endeavorers in the city and from the county societies. At this meeting Mr. Taylor will deliver an address, and there will be special music and other features. At the conclusion of the address Mr. Taylor will conduct a round table conference on the Christian Endeavor methods. All members and others who are interested in this cause are urgently requested to attend these meetings.

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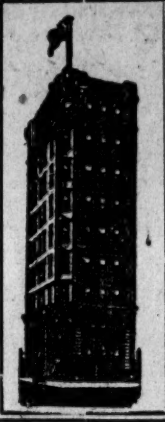

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